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## Left turn lanes, wider corners replace roundabout proposal at Main and 75

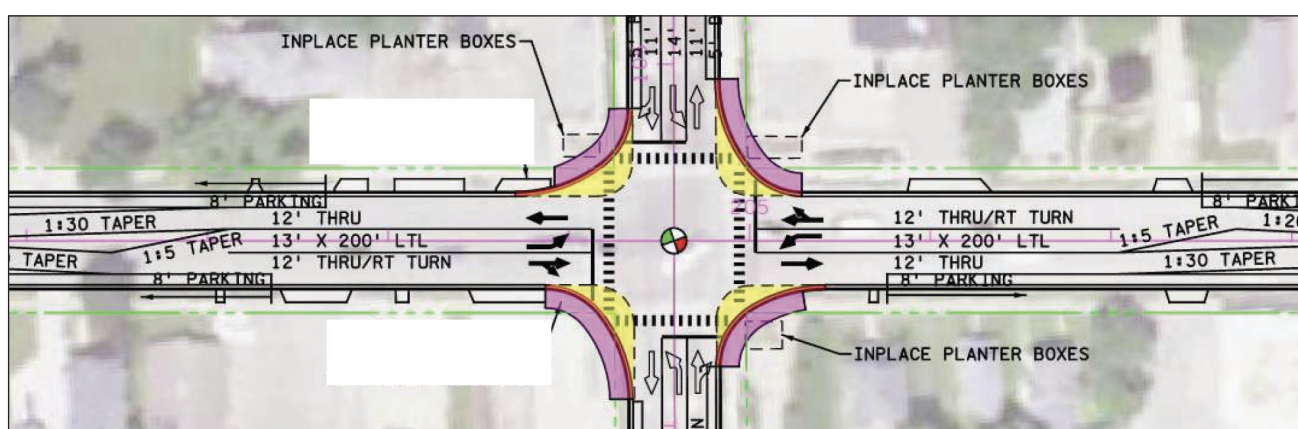
By Lori Sorenson

There will be no roundabout at the Highway 75 and Main Street intersection, but there will be designated left turn lanes on Main Street and wider corners for truck traffic.

That's the compromise state and local leaders arrived at in response to what studies show to be increasing crash risks at that intersection.

Luverne City Council members and Rock County Commissioners met in a joint Zoom session with state transportation officials Tuesday, Feb. 22.

Robert Jones of MnDOT commended local leaders for their input. "It was awesome that we all



Corners will be widened to accommodate truck turns, and this will require city corner planters to be moved.

worked together and the city and county made their resolutions known to us," Jones said. "We really wanted to listen to what your

needs were." He said the three local needs are to 1. reduce crash ratings, 2. improve pedestrian safety and 3.

facilitate trucks moving through the intersection. Jones and other MnDOT officials last summer had proposed

a roundabout at the intersection, but local leaders opposed it.

City and Rock County officials worked together in December on a resolution in support of right turn lanes and updated traffic lights for the intersection, rather than a roundabout.

"This was the least invasive of the options," council member Kevin Aaker said at the Dec. 21 city meeting.

At Tuesday's meeting, Jones said traffic engineers worked on the alternate plan, but discovered that designated left turn lanes on County Road 4 would be safer than right turn lanes.

**No roundabout/see page 3A**

## City gets DEED grant for road to Lineage, PMP

By Lori Sorenson

City leaders learned last week that a significant federal grant will support business expansion in Luverne's industrial park.

The \$467,422 award will help fund the Dakota Road extension project which will connect street and utilities to the expanding industrial complex of the Lineage Logistics Freezer Plant and Premium Minnesota Pork.

Funds are granted through the Greater Minnesota Business Development Public Infrastructure Program, which provides money to outstate cities of up to 50 percent of the capital costs for the public infrastructure.

Qualifying projects support or expand economic growth, retain or create jobs, or increase the tax base. The city will match the remaining 50 percent.

According to city plans, Dakota Road will be extended approximately 500 feet to the west, and along with the street construction, utilities will also be upsized and extended to serve the Lineage Logistics property for current operations and future growth.

The Dakota Road Extension construction project extends an 8-inch-thick concrete pavement, 31 feet wide, approximately 500 feet west of the Minnesota Avenue intersection.

Box culverts will be added under the road extension to convey storm water.

As part of the project, the existing 8-inch sanitary sewer line will be abandoned and approximately 730 feet of 12-inch sanitary sewer line will be installed to allow for adequate cover under the box culverts and additional capacity.

Approximately 470 feet of 12-inch water main will be extended to the property line to serve the Lineage project.

The infrastructure work will permanently disturb 0.8 acres of wetland, which are in the process of being mitigated, and wetland credits will be purchased by the City of Luverne.

The project is eligible for funding because it is publicly owned infrastructure that supports economic development. Streets, water, sewer, storm sewer

**Infrastructure grant/see p. 5A**

## Kennecke shares story of 'Emily's Hope' Monday

By Lori Sorenson

Angela Kennecke stood alone on the stage in the Luverne School performing arts center Monday night to share the story of her daughter, Emily, who died at age 21 from fentanyl-laced heroin in 2018.

"I'm here as a mom whose heart is broken," Kennecke told a diverse audience of young and old, from diverse professional and personal backgrounds.

"My only hope is that Emily's story be-

comes a catalyst for change."

She said if she asked for a show of hands from those who are affected by addiction, most would raise their hands.

"And the ones who don't, I say they're lying," Kennecke said. "All of our lives are touched by addiction in some way, whether it be a family member, friend or co-worker."

Kennecke said her daughter was smart, talented, artistic, athletic and had every opportunity to succeed, yet she became addicted.

"It's hard to know what to do as a mom," Kennecke said, explaining that she knew her daughter was using, but didn't know to what extent.

At first, she tried "tough love," but ultimately turned to just love. Showing a screen shot of her last text conversation with Emily, she said she's glad "I love you" were her last words with her daughter.

**Kennecke 'Emily's Hope'/see page 3A**



Mavis Fodness photos/0303 FFA Breakfast

### Students celebrate National FFA Week

The Luverne-Adrian FFA Chapter hosted an appreciation pancake breakfast Friday at the American Reformed Church in Luverne. The event allowed FFA'ers to thank the community for their continued support for the long-standing agricultural program. FFA students themselves also enjoyed the breakfast of pancakes, bacon, sausage and scrambled eggs.

Above, FFA members Morgan Ahrendt and Maren Stegenga serve sausage and scrambled eggs to Dick Remme. At left, AJ Ossefoort heaps scrambled eggs on a plate.



FFA members (from left) Lucas Hansen, JT Remme and Jacob Madison serve community member Greg Spath. Above right, Morgan Ahrendt flips a chocolate chip pancake on the griddle.



## County Road 4 tops 2022 road and bridge list

By Mavis Fodness

Almost \$4 million in state and federal aid will be used on five road improvement projects scheduled for 2022.

County Highway Engineer Mark Sehr outlined the five-year road and bridge construction plan at the Feb. 22 county commissioner meeting.

The plan was unanimously accepted.

Sehr will present the five-year plan again at the March 22 public meeting with township officials. The meeting begins at 1 p.m. at the Rock County Library.

The majority of the 2022 construction budget will be used in a 7.58-mile mill and overlay project on County Road 4 from the Rock River Bridge east of Luverne through Magnolia to the Rock-Nobles county line.

Project estimate is \$2.3 million and includes edge drains to alleviate the "waviness" in the current roadway due to excess moisture.

Other road projects (totaling an estimated \$590,000) include four additional mill and overlay projects this construction season.

The projects (all in the city of Luverne and under a mile in length) include:

- Blue Mound Avenue from Main Street (County Road 4) north to Fairway Drive.
- Warren Street from Cedar Avenue east to Blue Mound Avenue.
- Blue Mound Avenue from Warren Street to north Main Street.
- County Road 4 (Main Street) from Highway 75 east to Blue Mound Avenue.

One bridge repair is planned for 2022 and involves reconstruction of the County Road 1 bridge over Kanaranzi Creek.

The current bridge received

**County road plan/see page 5A**



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Meetings

**Blue Mound Quilters** will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, March 7, at the Rock County Library. Exchange Day — books, fabric, etc. — and Show and Tell following the meeting.

**Beaver Creek Township Board** will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 7, in the township hall.

**Parkinson's support group** will meet at 2 p.m. Monday, March 7, at Poplar Creek Care Center for a speaker on physical therapy. Masks are required. Call Diane Karlstad, 507-530-3307, for more information.

**Vienna Township Board** will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 8, in the Kenneth Community Center.

### Winter Carnival set for March 5

Luverne Music Boosters Winter Carnival, which was scheduled for Jan. 22, is rescheduled for Saturday, March 5.

### Mobile dental clinics scheduled

Mobile dental clinics will be in Luverne Wednesdays, March 9 and April 6 and Thursday, April 7, at the Rock County Health and Human Services community room.

These clinics provide dental care for adults and children ages infant through 100. Call 612-746-1530 to schedule an appointment. All forms of insurance accepted. The clinics are organized by the #LuvILuvAll initiative, Rock County Oral Health Task Force.

### 'More than Sad' suicide information March 7, March 28

Cassie Linkenmeyer of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention will be in Luverne from 7 to 8 p.m. two Mondays, March 7 and March 28, at Luverne Community Education. Parents, educators and students will learn how to recognize signs of depression and other mental health problems, initiate conversations and get help. Register by calling 507-283-4742. Fee is \$5.

### Kindergarten Round-Up

Luverne Kindergarten Round-Up will be from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, March 24, at the Luverne Elementary School. Parents and children will participate in an informal "meet and greet" open house. A staggered schedule is as follows:

- 5:30 to 6 p.m. for last names beginning A-G
- 6 to 6:30 for last names beginning with H-M
- 6:30 to 7 for N-Z

Children must be 5 years old before Sept. 1, 2022, to register for kindergarten. Call the elementary office at 283-4497 with questions.

### Library Happenings

For more information about library happenings, call 507-449-5040 or email rockcountystaff@gmail.com.

The 2022 Winter Reading Program, "Catch a Keeper at your Library," is currently under way and goes through March 31. Read or listen to 12 books checked out from the Rock County Library and win a fabulous prize. Winter Reading Bingo will also be played. Bingo sheets are available now at the library.

Story Time with Bronwyn takes place 10:30 a.m. Fridays through April 29. No story time on Feb. 18.

Bring your creative selves to Bad Art Night at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 17, at Take 16, and compete to see who can make the worst piece of art with provided supplies. The less artistic ability you have, the better. Prizes will be awarded.

Trivia Night is at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of every month at Take 16 in Luverne. Team registration begins at 6 p.m.

Reminiscence Kits are available featuring various topics such as gardening, pets, baking, sewing, farming and hunting. The kits are designed to use with a loved one experiencing memory loss, encouraging the loved one to open up about activities they once loved in the past.

## Legislative districts redrawn for population shift

By Lori Sorenson

Residents of Rock County and southwestern Minnesota have learned the maps of new legislative districts in the State Legislature.

The new districts become effective in January 2023 following the November general election which includes both House and Senate candidates.

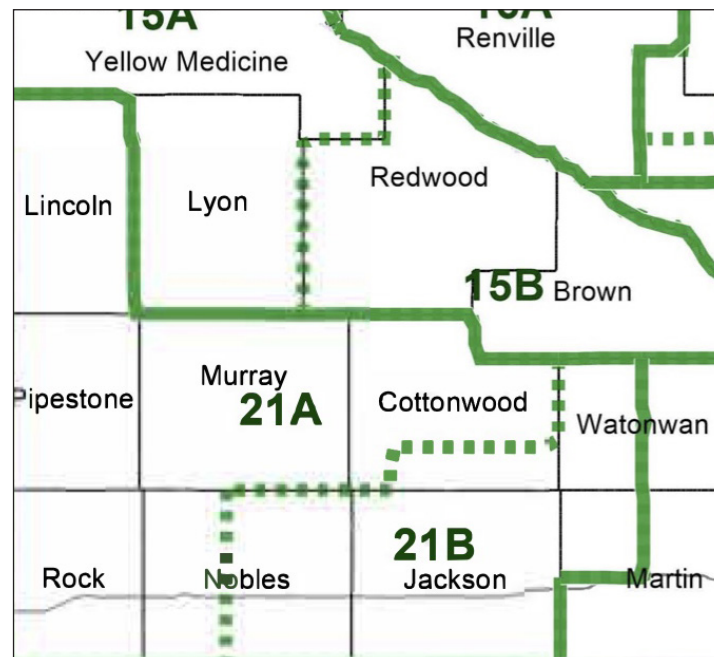
A panel of five state judges released redistricting lines for the Minnesota Legislature on Feb. 15. The changes are necessary due to population changes recorded from the 2020 census.

### State Senate

Rock County is part of the current Senate District 22, which will be known as Senate District 21.

The new Senate district will no longer include the counties of Lyon and Redwood, but it gained the east half of Jackson County, the west half of Watonwan County (including the city of St. James), and four townships and two cities in the northwest part of Martin County.

Sen. Bill Weber (R-Luverne) currently represents Rock County and District 22 in the Minnesota Senate.



### State House

Rock County is part of the current House District 22A, which is comprised of communities in Lincoln, Lyon, Pipestone, Murray, Nobles, and Rock counties.

The current House District 22A largely becomes the new House District 21A. It will now be comprised of Rock, Pipestone, Lincoln, and Murray counties in their entirety.

All of Lyon County will now become part of a new House District 15A.

The new House District 21A also includes the western portion of Nobles

County, including the cities of Adrian, Ellsworth, Lismore, and Wilmont, along with the neighboring townships.

A significant portion of Cottonwood County will also be added to the new House District 21A, including the cities of Jeffers, Storden, and Westbrook.

Rep. Joe Schomacker (R-Luverne) currently represents Rock County and District 22A in the Minnesota House of Representatives.

"With population gain in the Twin Cities, I was worried that we would lose

border-city and border-county seats in the adjustment," Schomacker said. "I am thankful to see that in southwestern Minnesota that is not the case."

### Congressional District 1

Rock County is part of Minnesota's First Congressional District, which extends across southern Minnesota from Rock County to Houston County.

Minnesota's First Congressional District gained Goodhue and Wabasha Counties, which were formerly part of the Second District, but lost Le Sueur County to the Second District.

The First District also lost a section of land on its northwestern edge (to the north and east of Windom) which was added to the Seventh District.

The late Congressman Jim Hagedorn had represented District 1 in the U.S. House until Feb. 17 when he died of cancer at age 59.

A special election Aug. 9 will determine who will fill out the remaining term, set to expire in 2023.

The winner of the November general election will serve a two-year term beginning in January 2023.

More information is available on the Minnesota Secretary of State website, sos.state.mn.us



The 2022 Helgeson Father/Son Pool Tournament took place Feb. 11-12 in Beaver Creek. The team of Keith and Ryan Morford (center) won the tournament conducted by the Helgeson family including Travis (far left) and Gary (far right) Helgeson.

## Helgeson family hosts 28th annual Father/Son Pool Tournament

Sixteen teams competed for the traveling trophy in the 28th Annual Helgeson Father/Son Pool Tournament Feb. 11 and 12 at Up the Dam Creek Bar in Beaver Creek.

Keith and Ryan Morford defeated Dick Kramer and Brandon Muellenberg in the final round.

Along with the double-elimination pool tournament, a quilt and several other raffles took place throughout the Friday and Saturday event.

The event raised \$4,300 for Sanford Luverne Hospice and over the 28 years, \$42,300 has been raised.

The tournament resumed this year, and due to the ability to receive funds through Venmo, it received donations from South Dakota, Minnesota, Indiana,

Canada, Iowa, Colorado and Wisconsin. "The Helgeson family wants to thank everyone for the donations, family members for helping sell tickets, making the quilt and for the extra raffle items and Up the Dam Creek for letting us play here," said Gary Helgeson, who with wife, Maureen, organize the event.

"We especially thank the players. Without them there is no tournament."

The tournament began in 1985 by Gordon and Kitty Helgeson, who raised the money to support the Hospice Cottage in Luverne.

Gary said his late parents conducted the tournament for 20 years building a "legacy for giving."

## LHS speech students compete in Redwood

By Mavis Fodness

Luverne students traveled to Redwood Falls Saturday for the Redwood Valley Cardinal Invitational, where they had a quiet showing.

Seven students placed in the three-round, no final, tournament.

The top six in each of the 13 speech categories received individual awards with blue and red ribbons presented to students who placed first and second in the final placings.

Sweepstakes awards were given to the top three schools.

Luverne did not place as a team among the 21 schools participating in the tournament. About 200 students competed.

Individually, Luverne students placed in:

- Informational speaking: Jessika Tunnissen, first; Lizzy Mulder, red ribbon.
- Extemporaneous speaking: Chance Tunnissen, first; Parker Carbonneau, third; Zander Carbonneau, fourth.
- Humorous interpretation: Luke Thorson, blue ribbon.
- Poetry: Mia Wenzel, blue ribbon.
- Great speeches: Nora Louwagie, red ribbon.

Luverne next competes Saturday in Minnesota.

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## No roundabout/from page 1A

They also deemed that in order for trucks to turn right without swinging wide into the left turn lanes, the corners would have to be pulled back, and this would affect the city's new planters and signage at the intersection.

"We didn't want to impact those, but our traffic engineer said we wouldn't be able to facilitate truck traffic and pedestrian safety without widening the right turns, which meant moving the planters," Jones said.

In discussions with city and county leaders, he said there is plan to protect the integrity of the new corner aesthetics.

"The good news is these planter boxes and the city of Luverne signs, as they sit now, are right outside of our right of way, therefore it would be our responsibility to pay for and move those planter boxes," Jones said.

"We will try to keep that sign exactly where it is but reconstructing the planter box a little further back."

He said the state would work with local designers to complete the project in a way that the public won't notice a big difference in their appearance.

The planter box on the Veterans Memorial corner will need to be moved, but the flags won't be affected.

Jones said the state could also include in the project a fourth planter box on the southwest corner if the city wants, at city cost.

The cost for street lights and poles are shared 50-50 between the city and county.

"If the city wants these poles brown again we have to order them from the factory that way, that's part of the city cost," Jones said.

"So, we want to be up front about these costs, but we can make this work. We can do this all in the same project and have our contractor do it."

These details would be spelled out in cooperative agreements between the state and local entities and between the city and county.

Engineers at Tuesday's meeting used graphics and maps to show why the left turn lanes and wider corners are preferred.

Essentially, westbound traffic turning south onto 75 was increasing, as were the left turn-related crashes. They said it would move traffic through the intersection more smoothly and safely.

County Commissioner Gary Overgaard expressed support for the revised plan.

"We appreciate you guys coming down here to talk to us and get this thing figured out and come to an agreement we can be happy with," Overgaard said Tuesday.

"The feedback on the roundabout was definitely a 'no,' but it looks like people can work together and we appreciate it."

Jones agreed. "Absolutely. You guys are the major stakeholders and you're going to have to live with it when we're done," he said. But these are our roads, and we want to make sure they are built safe, according to MnDOT standards."

Mayor Pat Baustian also supported the revisions.

"Everybody worked together to come up with the best plan possible," he said.

"Thanks for taking everybody's considerations and comments into it. Working with everybody is the best option."

The city and county will approve amendments to their existing resolutions and resubmit them to the state.

The Main Street intersection work is part of a planned 2.5-mile resurfacing project scheduled for 2025 on Highway 75 from Main Street to Veterans Drive.



Angela Kennecke addresses a diverse crowd in the Luverne School performing arts center Monday night to share the story of her daughter, Emily, who died at age 21 from fentanyl-laced heroin in 2018. (Lori Sorenson photos)

## Kennecke shares story of 'Emily's Hope'/from page 1A

"I continue to tell her story because it is truly a way for me to turn heartbreak into action," Kennecke said.

"I want people to hear her story and I want people to understand addiction."

She shared information about risk factors for addiction — like mental health and addiction go hand in hand.

And she issued a stern warning that fentanyl, in amounts as small as a few grains of salt, can be deadly, and it's showing up in all kinds of street drugs, including meth and marijuana. So, even those who are "just experimenting" with drugs could die from it.

Throughout her talk Monday, Kennecke referred to Emily's Hope, the non-profit she started to help people struggling with addiction get help.

Among other things, the organization helps fund treatment for those who can't afford it, and it connects people with resources.

Following Kennecke's talk, she was joined on stage by local professionals who work with substance abuse.

They included Sanford chemical dependency counselor Stephanie Pierce, Rock County Deputy Jeff



Angela Nolz (left) and Angela Kennecke listen to panelists Scott Radloff, Taylor Toben, Stephanie Pierce and Jeff Stratton Monday night.

Stratton, New Life Treatment Center director Scott Radloff and New Life Treatment Center counselor Taylor Toben.

Kennecke and the panel answered questions from the audience and shared information about local resources for individuals and families dealing with addiction.

While Kennecke was live in Luverne, the evening was livestreamed at the Worthington

Memorial Auditorium and the Minnesota West Pipestone Campus.

Monday's event was organized as a partnership project with Southwest Health and Human Services, #LuvLuvAll, Southwest Minnesota Opportunity Council, Prime West Health, Minnesota West Pipestone-Worthington Campuses, Worthington Memorial Auditorium, Luverne High School and Project Morningstar.

## Minnesota Veterans Homes receive 2022 Pinnacle Customer Experience Awards

The Minnesota Veterans Home in Luverne is among four in the state to receive national accolades for its skilled nursing care.

The Pinnacle Quality Insight's 2022 Customer Experience Award in the skilled nursing category also went to facilities in Fergus Falls, Minneapolis and Silver Bay.

By qualifying for the award, these Veterans Homes have scored in the top 15 percent of the nation across a 12-month average.

Pinnacle Quality Insight conducts over 150,000 phone surveys each year and works with

more than 2,500 care providers in all 50 U.S. states, Canada and Puerto Rico.

Over the past year, Pinnacle interviewed residents and their families on several areas including: cleanliness, activities, therapy, personalized care, dignity and respect, communication and responding to resident concerns.

The results are compared to others in the industry, and the Minnesota Veterans Homes have been identified as "best in class."

"The Pinnacle survey results represent the overall quality our homes provide to our residents by our staff," said Douglas Hughes,

Veterans Healthcare deputy commissioner.

"We are very proud of the level of care that is provided and appreciate the work of all employees to provide this experience to residents and families."

He said Minnesota Veterans Homes have worked to ensure that individual needs of every resident are met.

Over the course of 2021, Pinnacle contacted residents and their families in monthly telephone inter-

views that included open-ended questions, as well the opportunity to rate the Veterans Home in specific categories.

Every month, the veterans homes reviewed these real-time survey results to gain a better understanding of residents' needs and made improvements when necessary.

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## Notice of Annual Township

### Meetings & Elections

Notice is hereby given that the following townships will hold their annual meeting and elections on Tuesday, March 8, 2022. COVID-19 precautions will be in place. In case of inclement weather, they will be held one week later on March 15, 2022.

#### Battle Plain Township

Justin Prins' farm - 1941 231st St., Edgerton. Meeting at 7 pm

#### Beaver Creek Township

Beaver Creek Township Hall. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term. Anyone interested in attending the meeting via zoom can contact the clerk at 507-227-2061.

#### Clinton Township

Business meeting at the Township Hall. 4-5pm Voting from 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk for 2-year term

#### Denver Township

Hardwick City Hall. Meeting 7 pm

#### Kanaranzi Township

Kanaranzi Elevator. 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk for 2-year term

#### Luverne Township

Luverne Pizza Ranch. Monthly Meeting 3-4 pm, Annual Business Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term

#### Magnolia Township

Arends Farm 1581 121st Luverne. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk 2-year term

#### Martin Township

Township Building 598 51st St Hills. Meeting at 8 pm.

#### Mound Township

Keith Schmuck shop 1292 141st St, Luverne. Meeting 4-5 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term

#### Rosedell Township

Township Hall. 4-5 pm Business Meeting

#### Springwater Township

Town Hall 594 141st Luverne. Business meeting 3:00 pm and Election 5-8 pm to elect one Supervisor 3-year term and one Clerk / Treasure 2-year term.

#### Vienna Township

Kenneth Community Hall. Business Meeting 7 pm

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## Technology made sports reporting easier but can't replace in-person interviews

I've had a comfortable seat for this winter sports season thanks to modern technology.



### RUMINATIONS

By Mavis Fodness, Reporter

**Ella is a young person to be admired — something I wouldn't have learned through technology or from even sitting in the bleachers.**

Last week my stint as the sports reporter for the Luverne High School gymnastics team came to an end.

Thanks to live broadcastings and online scoring, I was able to cover the team's away meets with ease — much easier than my predecessor did.

Coach Phoebe Flom introduced me to the world of live, online scoring. No longer did I have to worry about getting all the events results from paper copies following the meet — the scores were right there on my computer screen.

The few times the host school didn't subscribe to the online service, Phoebe would send pictures of the paper results to my iPhone.

For those away meets, I often sat in my cushioned office chair, a blanket covering my lap and a cup of hot chocolate in hand. As I watched the social media feeds, I cheered for the local girls and made notes of the scores as each event finished.

With no drive home in a cold car, I simply clicked off the computer and crawled into bed.

I did thoroughly enjoy the home meets when I did "old school" reporting in person, on site, shooting my own photographs.

Even though covering home meets meant sitting on those uncomfortable bleachers, the experience was enjoyable as the Luverne gymnasts introduced difficult maneuvers into their routines as the season progressed.

I watched as their confidence grew and I admired the difficult routines most

Luverne gymnasts were not performing just a decade ago when I was just a parent in the stands.

Over the three-month competitive season, I got to know the athletes, and none impressed me more than freshman Ella Reisdorfer.

When her teammates needed a solid score, she delivered and earned herself a third-straight appearance to the state gymnastics tournament.

Talking with the 15-year-old prior to the tournament, I asked her about who in the gymnastics world she admired (she listed her teammates) and she credits God for her athletic abilities in not only gymnastics but in volleyball and softball.

Ella is a young person to be admired — something I wouldn't have learned through technology or from even sitting in the bleachers.

was in office. The Clintons covered their tracks very well, but like the song, the truth is coming out a little at a time. Seems a lot like the Watergate scandal, doesn't it?

On the Covid front, suddenly states are dropping mask mandates and opening things up. The CDC is admitting they didn't release all the data on Covid and the vaccine. Dr. Fauci has all but disappeared. What changed? The science didn't change. The politics changed. The politics changed because the Democrats are seeing what is coming in the 2022 elections. They are seeing the polls on this administration, and know they are in big trouble. The

## An underfunded IRS helps the wealthy and burdens working Americans

By Dale Walker, Patriotic Millionaire

The IRS started off the 2022 tax season ringing the alarm bells, warning that they do not have the resources to return filers' tax returns in a timely manner and will likely be overwhelmed by the number of returns.

You might think that this means that you won't have to pay your 2021 taxes. I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but you will. Unless, of course, you're wealthy.

Report after report has shown that, for years, the wealthy have gotten away with murder when it comes to paying taxes in the U.S.

The IRS estimates the current tax gap — the difference between the amount of taxes the IRS expects and what it actually gets — to be somewhere around \$1 trillion dollars.

Reasons for this incomprehensible total are multifold, but the biggest involves the wealthy evading taxes.

I don't suggest that all the wealthy seek to avoid their fair share, but wealthy Americans like me are able to pay armies of tax lawyers to utilize any and every tax loophole and exemption available to avoid paying as much tax as possible, and some certainly do.

Unfortunately, as it stands today, the IRS simply does not have enough resources to go after wealthy tax evaders and fix the tax gap. Thanks to COVID-related staffing issues and a decades-long right-wing attack on this critical agency, the IRS is in a sorry state.

There are simply too few service personnel to meet the current demand of the tax season, with one

representative for every 16,000 Americans.

Budget cuts have left the agency unable to properly dole out pandemic aid to businesses, thanks to massive paper backlogs, which is no surprise when you consider that the agency has roughly the same size workforce that it did in 1970.

But no matter how underfunded the IRS is, know that lower- and middle-class Americans still have to pay their taxes or the federal government will bring down the hammer on them. Because, as it stands in this country today, skipping your tax bill is a privilege reserved only for the wealthy and corporations.

With their massive funding gaps, the IRS simply does not have the resources to go after wealthy tax dodgers who can spend obscene amounts of money on expensive tax lawyers if they were ever threatened with an audit.

So rather than chasing the largest source of tax fraud, the agency has increased the amount of audits it performs against low-income taxpayers.

This is not only an unjust decision by the agency: it's simply inefficient. Picking on the little guy does not levy anywhere near the amount that would come from a moderately wealthy individual.

While it would be expensive to audit even just a handful of wealthy tax dodgers, the returns would make the effort worthwhile.

Estimates show that by putting down just \$70 billion dollars over ten years, the IRS can raise a whopping \$1.2 trillion over that same time frame — far more than it would ever get from auditing work-

ing Americans.

When the wealthy avoid paying such extreme amounts of money, the burden of filling the funding gaps falls directly on the same working Americans who do pay their fair share.

From our crumbling infrastructure to our many underfunded public schools, it's everyday Americans who pay the price for the greed of some of the ultra-wealthy. With the sorry state of many of our public goods, we need that funding more than ever.

And while I do think that we need to raise taxes on some of the wealthiest in our country, we can get the same bonus by simply giving the IRS an appropriate budget to go after rich tax cheats.

A well-funded IRS can raise revenue and slow the out-of-control wealth inequality that we are currently experiencing as a country. And with this, we're only talking about adhering to and enforcing existing law.

What can be disputed about that?

Democrats have the perfect opportunity ahead of them to introduce additional funding for the IRS in the coming reconciliation package. Americans don't like cheaters, so let's finally make wealthy tax cheats pay their fair share.

*Dale Walker is a retired financial services executive, living in San Francisco. He currently serves on the Boards of Beneficial State Bank, the Graduate Theological Union, and Pacific Vision Foundation. He is an active member of Patriotic Millionaires.*

### VOICE OF OUR READERS

#### Welches: 'A great town, a great school with great people'

To the Editor:

My wife and I are both graduates of LHS class of 1980, Mickey and Pam (Nath) Welch. We found out that the girls had qualified for the state tournament and though living in South Dakota we looked up the website to be able to stream the hockey game.

We are proud of the efforts these young women and future leaders as they demonstrated tenacity and

phenomenal skill against a team that across the board had more years of experience.

Luverne has always demonstrated community pride and so much of that is based on the Cardinal exploits and how much the community is involved with the school system.

The team and the pep band represented Luverne very well and demonstrated communi-

ty pride. We are proud to maintain our connections to the school where we graduated. Living out of the area, we thought it was important that these young women and men of the hockey teams and band put Luverne out there in such a positive manner. A great town, a great school with great people.

**Mic and Pam Welch  
Yankton, South Dakota**

#### Kracht: 'When we go to vote in November, do some research on the people running ...'

To the Editor:

What is happening in Ukraine is a terrible thing, but let's not let it distract us from the things going on in our own country.

As I follow the stories on the Russian collusion hoax, Covid-19, and the Biden administration, it reminds me of the song by Miranda Lambert, "White Liar." You know the one. "Hey, white liar, the truth comes out a little at a time." The Russian collusion hoax, as we all know now, was a blatant lie. Now we know the Hillary Clinton campaign paid a law firm and big tech to spy on the Trump campaign and later to spy on a sitting president while

before spending your money on various projects? We are supposed to be for the people, by the people.

When we go to vote in November, do some research on the people running for office. Who are they, what do they stand for or against, what is their voting record on the issues, and who is funding them? You may be surprised.

**Mert Kracht,  
Luverne**

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## ON THE RECORD

### Dispatch report

#### Feb. 18

•Complainant eastbound on Interstate 90, mile marker 409/410, Valley Springs, South Dakota, reported debris on the road.

•Complainant on E. Minnesota Avenue, Steen, reported HRO violation.

•Complainant on E. Main Street reported a subject in lobby.

#### Feb. 19

•Complainant on 201<sup>st</sup> Street, Luverne, reported vandalism.

•Complainant on N. Oakley Street reported an act of vandalism.

•Vehicle parked at location on Redbird Road.

#### Feb. 20

•Complainant on 190<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Kanaranzi, reported a fire.

•Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported employee/civil issue.

•Complainant on N. Blue Mound Avenue and E. Christenson reported a leaking fire hydrant.

•Complainant on E. Veterans Drive reported a hit and run at location.

•A driving complaint was reported eastbound on Interstate 90, mile marker 6, Beaver Creek.

#### Feb. 21

•Complainant on W. Interstate Drive reported theft.

•Complainant on S. Kniss Avenue reported an accident to property.

•Assistance from another department was provided on N. Elm Street.

•An outage was reported.

•A civil issue was reported at S. McKenzie Street.

•Assistance from another department was provided westbound on Interstate 90, mile marker 4, Beaver Creek.

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#### Feb. 22

•Complainant on E. Oakland Avenue reported a possible gas leak.

•Deputy assisted MSP eastbound on Interstate 90, mile marker 7, Beaver Creek.

•Complainant on W. Luverne Street, Magnolia, reported an accident and power outage.

•Complainant on County Highway 4, Luverne, reported identity theft.

#### Feb. 23

•Complainant requested to speak with deputy about a possible fraud situation.

•Complainant on Highway 23 and 191<sup>st</sup> Street, Garretson, South Dakota, reported a driving complaint.

•Complainant on N. Kniss Avenue reported a disorderly patient at location.

•Assistance from another department was provided at mile marker 10 on Interstate 90, Luverne.

#### Feb. 24

•Complainant on W. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Mitchell, South Dakota, reported a subject with a Rock County warrant.

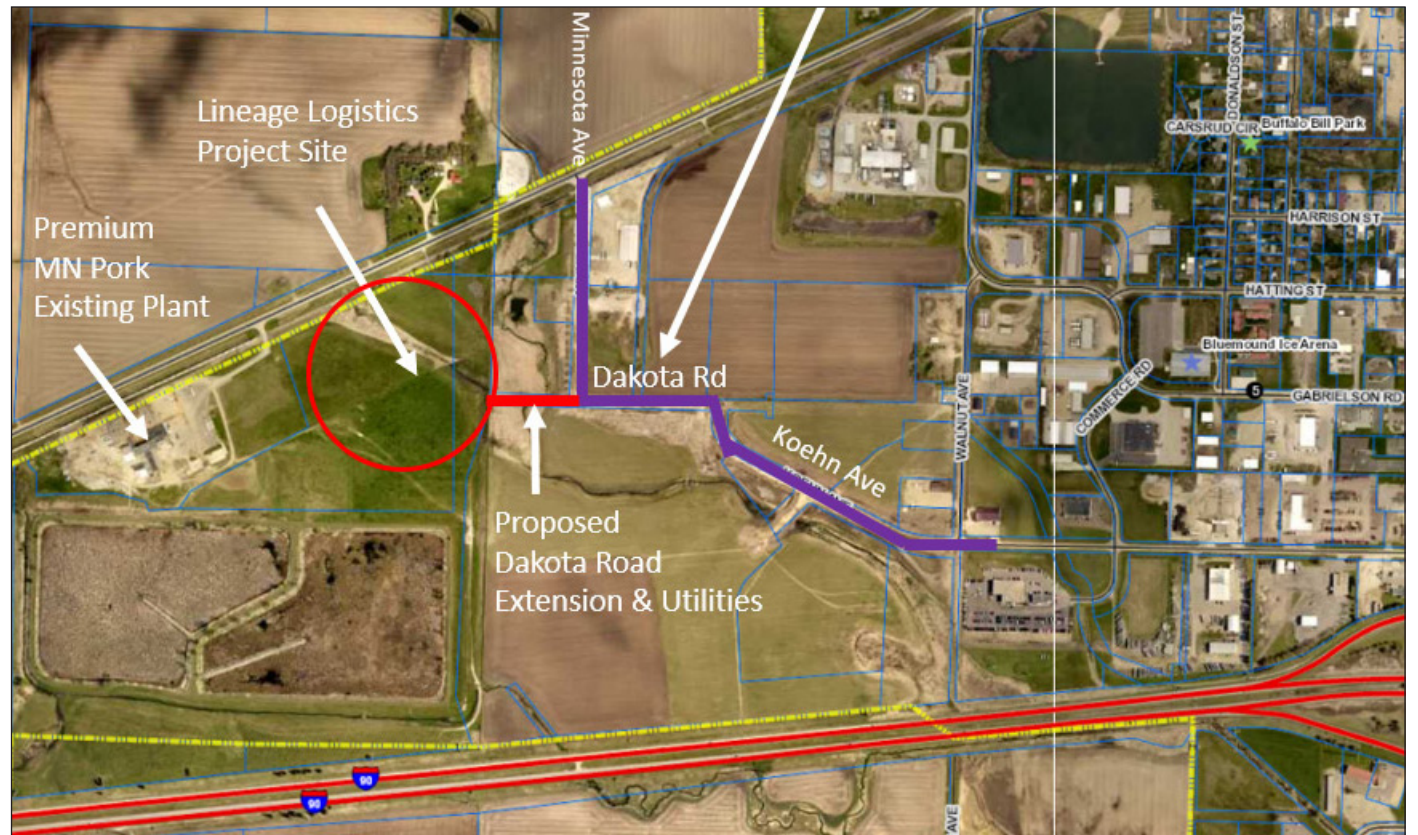
•Complainant on E. Crawford and N. McKenzie Street, reported a crash alert was activated.

#### Feb. 25

•Complainant on E. Lincoln Street reported theft.

•Complainant on E. Church Avenue, Steen, reported threats.

In addition, officers responded to 2 motor vehicle accident, 1 vehicle in ditch, 5 escorts, 12 ambulance runs, 3 paper services, 4 animal complaints, 12 burn permits, 1 gas drive-off, 3 alarms, 2 drug court tests, 9 purchase and carry permits, 1 stalled vehicle, 20 traffic stops, 11 abandoned 911 calls, 1 test, 1 welfare check and 2 follow-ups.



The \$467,422 award through the Greater Minnesota Business Development Public Infrastructure Program will help fund the Dakota Road extension project which will connect street and utilities to the expanding industrial complex of the Lineage Logistics Freezer Plant and Premium Minnesota Pork. Bid letting is set for March 10.

### Grant to help fund road extension to Lineage, PMP/from 1A

and wetland mitigation are all eligible expenses per the program guidelines.

Additionally, it supports a warehousing and distribution business development, which is an eligible economic development project per the program guidelines as well.

“Completing this infrastructure project will stimulate economic development and attract substantial private capital investment,” said Luverne Economic Development Authority Director Holly Sammons.

“This will provide substantial economic benefit to the local economy by creating new tax base and creating new jobs.”

The city has scheduled a bid opening for March 10.

#### Freezer warehouse the size of four football fields

Lineage Logistics will build a 235,000-square-foot cold storage warehouse on land near Premium Minnesota Pork.

The warehouse, with an estimated construction value



Lineage Logistics will build a 235,000-square-foot cold storage warehouse on land near Premium Minnesota Pork. The warehouse, with an estimated construction value of more than \$50 million, will be roughly the size of four football fields and will be built to store food products requiring temperatures ranging from -20 to 45 degrees. It will create up to 75 jobs.

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Lineage has indicated it will

create up to 75 new “quality paying” jobs in the area to support the operation.

Company officials have indicated dirt moving will start March 15 construction may be complete by summer of 2023.

## School funds appropriated in 1902

The following appeared in *The Rock County Herald* on March 28, 1902.

### Money for the Schools March Appointment of the School Fund Made on a Basis of \$1.43 for Each of the 2,281 Scholars in the County

The semi-annual apportionment of public school funds was made by County Auditor C. S. Bruce and Treasurer P. O. Skyberg according to the provisions of the statutes on the 26<sup>th</sup> of this month.

The total fund was \$3,274.13, to be apportioned among 2,281 scholars, leaving an indivisible over plus of \$12.30, which will be carried over to October, and making the amount actually apportioned \$3,261.83.

The amount on the account of each scholar is \$1.43, which is slightly larger than the usual amount for March.

The school fund was secured from “the following sources: State fund, \$2,965.30; fines, \$305; balance, \$3.83; total, \$3,274.13. Following is the apportionment in detail: District number 1, 22 pupils, \$31.46; number 2, 565 pupils, \$807.95; number 3, 11 pupils, \$15.73; number 4, 33 pupils, \$47.19; number 5, 74 pupils, \$105.82; number 6, 22 pupils, \$31.46; number 7, 18 pupils, \$25.74; number 8, 17 pupils, \$24.31; number 9, 8 pupils, \$11.44; number 10, 31 pupils, \$44.33; number 11, 27 pupils, \$38.61; number 12, 32 pupils, \$45.76; number 13, 26 pupils, \$37.18; number 14, 34 pupils, \$48.62; number 15, 106 pupils, \$151.58; number 16, 36 pupils, \$51.48; number 17, 15 pupils, \$21.45; number 18, 36 pupils, \$51.48; number 19, 21 pupils, \$30.03; num-



### BITS BY BETTY

By Betty Mann,  
Rock County  
Historical Society

ber 20, 22 pupils, \$31.46; number 21, 10 pupils, \$14.30; number 22, 22 pupils, \$31.46; number 23, 40 pupils, \$57.20; number 24, 19 pupils, \$27.17; number 25, 27 pupils, \$38.61; number 26, 25 pupils, \$35.75; number 27, 11 pupils,

\$15.73; number 28, 13 pupils, \$18.59; number 29, 12 pupils, \$17.16; number 30, 9 pupils, \$12.87; number 31, 18 pupils, \$25.74; number 32, 8 pupils, \$11.44; number 33, 22 pupils, \$31.46; number 34, 7 pupils, \$10.01; number 35, 30 pupils, \$42.90; number 36, 47 pupils, \$67.21; number 37, 19 pupils, \$27.17; number 38, 13 pupils, \$18.59; number 39, 20 pupils, \$28.60; number 40, 26 pupils, \$37.18; number 41, 23 pupils, \$32.89; number 42, 18 pupils, \$25.74; number 43, 23 pupils, \$32.89; number 44, 29 pupils, \$41.47; number 45, 44 pupils, \$62.92; number 46, 0 pupils, 8—number 47, 19 pupils, \$27.17; number 48, 59 pupils, \$84.37; number 49, 15 pupils, \$21.45; number 50, 16 pupils, \$22.88; number 51, 24 pupils, \$34.32; number 52, 14 pupils, \$20.02; number 53, 1 pupil, \$1.43; number 54, 18 pupils, \$25.74; number 55,

26 pupils, \$37.18; number 56, 19 pupils, \$27.17; number 57, 15 pupils, \$21.45; number 58, 29 pupils, \$41.47; number 59, 11 pupil, \$15.73; number 60, 27 pupils, \$38.61; number 61, 22 pupils, \$31.46; number 62, 14 pupils, \$20.02; number 63, 11 pupils, \$15.73; number 64, 21 pupils, \$30.03; number 65, 30 pupils, \$42.90; number 66, 71 pupils, \$101.53; number 67, 42 pupils, \$60.06; number 68, 22 pupils, \$31.46; number 69, 18 pupils, \$25.74; number 70, 26 pupils, \$37.18; number 71, 20 pupils, \$28.60.

Donations to the Rock County Historical Society can be sent to the Rock County Historical Society, 312 E. Main Street, Luverne, MN 56156.

Mann welcomes correspondence sent to [mannmade@iw.net](mailto:mannmade@iw.net).

### Roads and bridges/from 1A

emergency repairs in 2019 after spring ice flow damaged the 1961 bridge’s wood pilings, which resulted in a 3-inch sag in the bridge deck.

Cost of the bridge replacement is estimated at \$937,000.

The county will also look to install intersection warning signs at the intersection of County Road 4 and 17 (Manley Cwoner).

The signs, which warn motorists of pending cross traffic, cost roughly \$120,000. The project was previously scheduled but no bids were received to completed the intersection signage.

#### Repairs not planned for west County Road 4

Sehr reiterated to commissioners that no repairs will be attempted to correct the two rough road areas on County Road 4, west of Luverne.

Sehr said the winter season’s freeze-thaw cycle causes areas over two culverts to sink, creating dips in the road. “It comes back every spring,” Sehr said. “If we fix it, it may become worse.”

The culverts under the roadway allow water from the surrounding marsh areas to drain.

Once the frost leaves the ground, the roadway levels itself out.

Sehr said attempts to fix similar sinking in the west part County Road 4 roadway due to frost proved to be futile.

“I say ‘leave it’ for now — we got into one west of IBP 12 years ago — the deeper we went the worse it got.”

### GRAVEL BIDS: VIENNA TOWNSHIP

Class 5, pit run, and screened to be spread on Vienna Township roads. Bids will be expected by Monday, March 7, 2022.

Bids opened Tuesday, March 8 at 7 p.m. at the community hall in Kenneth.

Bids may be sent to:  
Vienna Township  
Brad Skattum  
1397 160th Ave  
Luverne, MN 56156

Brad Skattum  
Chairman

### REQUEST FOR BIDS VIENNA TOWNSHIP IS ACCEPTING BIDS FOR Road Grading

Please submit bids by Monday, March 7, 2022. Bids will be opened Tuesday, March 8 at 7 p.m. at the community hall in Kenneth.

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Luverne, MN 56156  
Vienna Township  
Board

### REQUEST FOR BIDS VIENNA TOWNSHIP IS ACCEPTING BIDS FOR Snow Removal

Please submit bids by Monday, March 7, 2022. Bids will be opened Tuesday, March 8 at 7 p.m. at the community hall in Kenneth.

Bids may be sent to:  
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1397 160th Ave  
Luverne, MN 56156  
Vienna Township  
Board

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## Paying kindnesses forward

Families involved in the 4-H horse and Western Heritage programs are planning a tack swap benefit Saturday at Rock Ranch in Hills. The event is organized by Luverne's Kris Van Der Brink who said the support she and her daughter received from the family-like atmosphere of the horse programs helped them heal after the lost of her spouse. The same support is what she wishes to pass along to the Mark and Lisa Ehlers and the late Tanya and Wyatt Fey families, whom the swap will benefit.

## Tack swap benefit helps Van Der Brink pay back support she received more than a decade ago

By Mavis Fodness

Saturday's benefit at Rock Ranch in Hills is about more than raising money, according to Kris Van Der Brink, who is organizing the event to benefit two families.

"I've been in both of those two families' spots," said Van Der Brink, Luverne.

She was referring to cancer and a spouse's unexpected death at a young age.

In the years since, she found solace and an outlet for her horse-loving daughter, Kellie, in the 4-H horse project, through which she met the Ehlers and Fey families.

Mark and Lisa Ehlers of Luverne both faced recent cancer diagnoses. Mark underwent successful surgery in January.

"Lisa barely got done ringing the bell when Mark was diagnosed," Van Der Brink said.

The late Tanya and Wyatt Fey of Woodstock are adult volunteers with the Southwest Minnesota 4-H Western Heritage, a program within the horse project.

Tanya, 37, died at home in November from a horse-involved accident.

"I know what Wyatt is going through — missing someone sitting across from

the table," Van Der Brink said.

Her journey started more than a decade ago, when her husband, Mike, was diagnosed with cancer. While he underwent months of treatments, they worried about finances, lost work time and the demands of raising a family. Mike died in 2005.

Proceeds from Saturday's benefit will be split evenly between the two families with no stipulations on how the money is to be spent.

"It is for them to use on whatever they need even if it's hospital bills, regular bills, gas, food," Van Der Brink said.

She knows from experience even the smallest gifts can have big impacts.

"I remember when we received an anonymous gift card and used it for gas after we discussed how we were going to get to Rochester," she said.

Van Der Brink also understands everyday demands also hinder donors as well.

She announced months ago the Tack Swap Benefit would be a free-will donation event, giving everyone time to clean out closets and make other preparations

for the benefit.

The 4-H and Western Heritage families are organizing a food stand and silent auction.

Individuals are organizing booths to sell items and/or services with a percentage of the sales benefiting the Ehlers and Fey families.

Educational stations are also planned for those who attend Saturday's event, even if they are not directly involved in 4-H or the horse program.

Being a member of a group helped the Van Der Brink move forward after Mike's death.

A 4-H family introduced Kellie to her first horse, and since then various horse project activities have developed into family-like support and atmosphere for the mom and

daughter.

More importantly, the animals have been therapeutic.

"You can tell your horses all your problems," Van Der Brink said.

The animals' responses were always the same, "We've got it taken care of."

The Tack Swap Benefit is a come-and-go event from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Rock Ranch, 355 40<sup>th</sup> Ave., Hills.



Van Der Brink

## REMEMBER WHEN

### 10 years ago (2012)

•If all goes well, a \$750,000 expansion project will begin this spring at the Blue Mound Ice Arena in Luverne.

Fundraising is under-way "in house" with hockey and figure skating families make their pledges now.

Donations will also be sought from alumni, private individuals and corporations. The Luverne Hockey Association is a 501(c) 3 organization, so donations are tax deductible.

Interior improvement plans include a two-story 112-by-32-foot addition that will be connected to the north side of the existing rink. The concession stand will be expanded to meet code and to provide more serving space for food items and more seating for diners.

A hockey dryland training room will allow for off-ice workouts for stick handling, plyometrics and cardiovascular work. Two handicap-accessible rest-rooms will be constructed off the lobby.

The expanded lobby will create better travel into and out of the building and an upper mezzanine area will be available for community gatherings or as a workout area for athletes.

The expansion plan also includes additional locker rooms that will allow boys' and girls' varsity teams to leave gear at the facility.

### 25 years ago (1997)

•The Luverne School Board added another five acres to the high school campus and sold two houses to be moved on its existing property to Loren Forrest.

At the board meeting Thursday, the district's attorney Don Klosterbuer said he and Supt. George Maurer had negotiated a tentative agreement with Julie Schuur for the five-acre parcel west of the bus garage on Dodge Street. The district agreed to pay \$68,500

for the land, which is the appraised value.

The purchase price does not include the house and two garages, which were sold in a separate arrangement between the Schuur family and Loren Forrest.

### 50 years ago (1972)

•Three Luverne seniors have become finalists in the National Merit Scholarship competition, according to Dale Knoll, Luverne High School counselor.

Names as finalists were James. A. Golla, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Golla; Dennis T. Olson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Toby Olson and Wendy J. Wildung, daughter of Mrs. Robert Wildung.

To become a finalist, a semi-finalist must be endorsed by school officials, complete informational forms, confirm high original test scores by their performance on the Scholastic Aptitude Test and plan to attend an accredited United States College.

About 14,750 finalists remain in the Merit scholarship competition throughout the nation for the coveted 3,000 scholarships, Knoll said. The winners of scholarships will receive notification between March and May.

Finalists rank in the top one-half of one per cent of the graduating secondary seniors in the nation.

### 75 years ago (1947)

•Mr. and Mrs. Ben Padilla assumed ownership Monday of the Coffee Shop, operated the past several years by Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McDonald. They bought the business from the McDonalds who

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## CELEBRATIONS

### Card Shower

Betty Luethje celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 3. Greetings may be sent to 220 Oak Dr., Luverne, MN 56156.

## GENERATIONS MENU

**Monday, March 7:** Pepper steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, dinner roll, gelatin with whipped topping.

**Activities:** A.C.E. of SW MN-Rock Co.: 8:30 a.m. Quilters. 10 a.m. SAIL class.

**Tuesday, March 8:** Lasagna, California Normandy vegetable, peaches, breadstick, dessert.

**Activities:** A.C.E. of SWMN-Rock Co.: 12:30 p.m. Hearts; Uno Golf; Pinochle.

**Wednesday, March 9:** Baked chicken, Au-Gratin potatoes, carrots, bread, dessert.

**Activities:** A.C.E. of SW MN-Rock Co.: 10 a.m. SAIL class.

**Thursday, March 10:** Turkey stuffing casserole, mixed vegetables, sliced apples, bread, dessert.

Half-Price sponsored by Rock County Board of Commissions.

**Friday, March 11:** Beef chili with beans, romaine salad with dressing, corn bread, blushing pears, cookie.

**Activities:** Watch for announcements on new Exercise Sessions.

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*Gift certificates are available at the meal site or online at [www.lssmn.org/nutrition](http://www.lssmn.org/nutrition).*

## COLLEGE NEWS

### SDSU releases dean's list

South Dakota State University, Brookings, has released its Fall 2021 dean's list. To be eligible, students must earn a minimum of a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale with at least 12 graded credits. Students with a 4.0 are indicated with an asterisk after their name.

Hills: Trenton Bass, engineering; Annie Bos, agriculture, foods, environmental science; Luke LaRock\*, arts, humanities, social sciences; Dawson Leenderts, agriculture, foods, environmental sciences; McKenna Westphal, nursing; Jax Wysong, natural sciences.

Luverne: Tacey Baustian, nursing; Jarod Berndt, engineering; Colby Crabtree\*, Mara Fick, and Tyler Fick, all agriculture, food, and environmental sciences; Jacinda Hustoff\*, Jonah Louwagie, both arts humanities, and social sciences; Aric Meinerts\*, engineering; Meghan Mollberg, education and human sciences; Nathan Nekali, arts, humanities, social sciences; Melissa Teal\*, nursing.

Steen: Alexia Boltjes\*, education and human sciences.

Ellsworth: Cody Kramer, engineering; Ashlyn Meester, education and human sciences.

### Matthiesen on honors list

Destiny Matthiesen of Luverne was named to the Fall 2021 highest honors list at Vermilion Community College in Ely. Students named to the highest honors list have attained a GPA of 3.75 for the semester.

### Gustavus names honor list

Anika Gust and Toby Sengvongxay, both of Luverne, were named to the dean's list for the Fall 2021 semester at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter.

To be named, students must earn a 3.7 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale.

### LaRock on Bethel dean's list

Allison LaRock, Hills, was named to the dean's list at Bethel University, St. Paul, for the Fall 2021 semester. Students must earn a 3.6 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale to be named to the dean's list.

### Dinger on U of N dean's list

Madilyn Dinger, Luverne, was named to the fall semester College of Journalism and Mass Communications dean's list at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Dinger is majoring in advertising and public relations. Students must earn a 3.7 GPA or higher to be named to the dean's list.

### Huisman receives badge

Ana Huisman, Luverne, was one of 39 students officially welcomed into Bemidji State University's four-year track nursing program during a Feb. 19 induction ceremony.

The student nurses had their name badges officially affixed to their nursing polos by faculty and signed the "Nightingale Pledge" in front of family and friends in the university's Beaux Arts Ballroom.

## OBITUARIES

### Virgil Block

Virgil Block age 88, Adrian, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2022, at his residence.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, March 4, at the Bethel Reformed Church.

Funeral service will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 5, at the Bethel Reformed Church, rural Little Rock, Iowa.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to the Block family for later designation.

Virgil Lloyd Block was born September 5, 1933, near Little Rock, Iowa, the son of Henry and Margaret (Klaassen) Block. He grew up near Little Rock, attended country school and graduated from Little Rock High School. He continued his education at The Riesch Auctioneer School in Mason City, Iowa. He returned to his family and helped his father and brothers with the family farm.

On Sept. 23, 1953, he was united in marriage to Betty Lou DeBoer at the Bethel Reformed Church, rural Little Rock, Iowa. They had four children, Laura, Dan, Tim and Sally. Virgil and Betty farmed near Little Rock until they moved onto the current farm near Ellsworth where they continued to farm until retirement.

Virgil was a member of the Bethel Reformed Church, rural Little Rock, where he served as deacon and was active with other church functions such as the cemetery committee.

Virgil was a farmer through and through. He considered himself a John Deere Man, with green and yellow toys, tractors and signs found around the farm and house.

After retirement he continued to help his son and grandsons with the fieldwork. He was always willing to



help any way he could. Springtime was a favorite time of the year with fieldwork and garden planting. The amount of vegetables and fruits produced were his pride and joy, and he loved to share the bounty with the community.

Virgil and Betty enjoyed listening to polka music and WNAX radio. He also enjoyed playing cards, throwing dice and visiting with friends and neighbors. Later in life he and Betty would frequently take drives through the countryside together. He will be remembered as a fun-loving man with a sense of humor.

On Jan. 27, 2022, Virgil's wife of 68 years Betty passed away. He continued living at home until this past Tuesday when he died unexpectedly.

He is survived by four children, Laura (Steve) Fresk of Windom, Dan (Jo) Block of Adrian, Tim (Laurie) Block of Johns Island, South Carolina, and Sally (Scott) Roth of Red Wing; 11 grandchildren, Clayton (Kara) Fresk, Jessica (Adam) DeRosier, Spencer (Anna Lauren) Fresk, Bryce (Lindsey) Block, Brett Block, Bridgett (Josh) Gacke, Brittany (Tucker) Mabry, Brandon Block, Calvin Roth, Solveig Roth, and Anja Roth; 11 great grandchildren with one on the way in June; sisters-in-law, JoAnn Block, Joyce (Everon) Kanengieter, Eleanor DeBoer; many nieces, nephews and other extended family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Margaret Block; his wife, Betty; a sister, Darlene Heidebrink; and two brothers, Clarence and Clifford Block.

Arrangements were provided by the Jurrens Funeral Home in Rock Rapids, Iowa. [jfh@jurrensfuneral-home.com](mailto:jfh@jurrensfuneral-home.com).

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### Henrietta Bos

Henrietta Bos, 84, Hills, died Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022, at Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

A funeral service was Saturday, Feb. 19 at the Steen Reformed Church. Burial followed in the East Side Cemetery in rural Steen.

Henrietta Van Wyhe was born May 10, 1937, on a farm east of Hills, the daughter of Cornelius and Alice (Vander Wolde) Van Wyhe.

She grew up near Hills and graduated from Hills High School. She then furthered her education at the Swedish Hospital Nursing School in St. Paul, where she received her nursing degree.

On Sept. 5, 1958, Henrietta was united in marriage to Verlyn Bos at Steen Reformed Church.

They lived in Luverne where Henrietta was a nurse at the Luverne



Medical Center before moving to a farm near Beaver Creek.

In December of 1965, they moved to the farm southeast of Hills.

Together they raised their family, milked cows, and farmed. The current farm they were living on has been through four generations of dairy farmers. Verlyn passed away on July 9, 2009.

Henrietta was a member of the Reformed Church of Steen and the Swedish Hospital Alumni. She truly enjoyed farming, horses, cutting hay, fishing, mowing, and spending time with her grandchildren, especially holding the babies.

Henrietta's favorite memories were those of horseback rides and campfires with Verlyn in the Black Hills and Newton Hills.

Henrietta is survived by her children, Doug (Lynette

Stensland) Bos of Luverne, Vicki Bos of Steen, Brad (Barb) Bos of Hills, Brenda (Selden) Lacey of Valley Springs, South Dakota, Ron (Noreen) Bos of Hills, and Ken (Tammy) Bos of Hills; 15 grandchildren; six great grandchildren with one on the way; brother, Harold (Toni) Van Wyhe of Luverne; sisters, Berniece (Noralf) Barstad of Brandon, South Dakota, Cordean (Sonny) Top of Springfield, Missouri, and Viny (Jerry) Weeda of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; sister-in-law, Joann Bos of Sioux Falls, South Dakota; along with many extended family and friends.

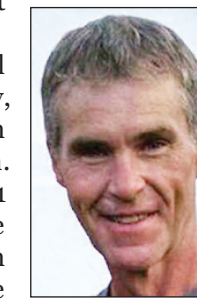
She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Verlyn; sister, Tina Zylstra; in-laws, Lyle and Dorothy Bos and Maynard Bos.

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### Troy DeBoer

Troy DeBoer, 55, Adrian, died on August 10, 1985, at the Zoar Presbyterian Church in George, Iowa. The couple lived on an acreage near George before moving to Adrian in 1986 and purchasing their current home in 1987.

Troy was a hard worker and skilled with knowledge of many trades. He most enjoyed spending time with family and friends and was always at the center of a good time, known for being quick with a joke or a witty remark. Troy was very active with his favorite activities: reserving the winters for shooting pool and watching the Cowboys and the summers for golfing (and playing softball in the



eighties and nineties). He always appreciated jamming out at a good concert and a peaceful nap.

Troy is survived by his adored wife, Karen; daughter, Kassanna (fiancé, Michael McDonald) DeBoer, St. Augustine, Florida; son, Mitchell DeBoer, Omaha, Nebraska; brother, Cordell (Rochelle) DeBoer, Rock Rapids, Iowa; and sister, Kelly (special friend, Dusty Dreesman) Cuperus, Rock Rapids, Iowa; his mother-, brothers- and sisters-in-law; many nieces and nephews; and many, many more beloved family, friends and teammates.

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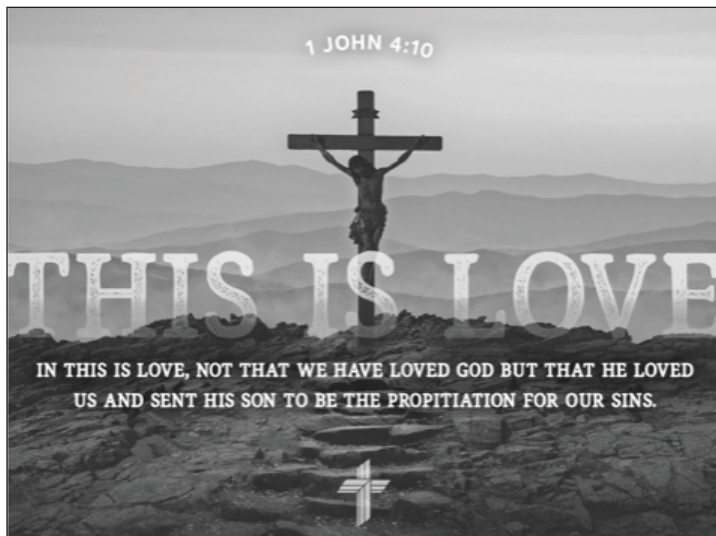
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# Rall: Individual states, not California judge, should manage wolf populations

So, wolves are again in the top headlines of natural resource issues across the nation.

A few weeks back, a judge from California reinstated protections for gray wolves across most of their range. It is the same rally cry heard over and over by pro-wolves activists. They claim that wolves have not recovered enough to be delisted from the endangered species list or protected status, depending on location.

I can't even count the number of times this back and forth has happened over a time span of the past two decades. Minnesota has far more wolves than the recovered number of 1,600 that was the original number used to determine they were safe from extinction.

Minnesota wolf populations vary depending on whose numbers you want to use. At one time a few years back, there were estimated to be 3,500 or even more in Minnesota, 200 percent or more of the number considered recovered.

Almost all of the court action to protect wolves does not happen in states that actually have high numbers of them. This is why this case was recently decided by a California court.

When wolves are removed from the endangered or protected status category, the management of this species is turned back to the individual states. I, for one, think that would make a lot of sense. Who better than the state's residents and their big game managers to determine what is the correct number of wolves in their state?

Last year, or it might



## THE OUTDOORS

By Scott Rall  
Outdoors columnist

*If a court in a faraway state can determine how one species in our state is managed, it might lead them to try to manage all of our state's resources.*

have been the year before, Wisconsin held a wolf hunt with a preset number of wolves to be removed from the population, at which point in time the season would close. This was during a short window when wolves were not protected and states held the management decisions.

When the season opened, the number of wolves killed blew badly past the approved number. This was unfortunate but seems to be the latest arrow in the quiver to sell the courts on the fact that the states cannot satisfactorily manage wolves.

A regular game and fish guy, I thought it would have just reduced the number of permits to take a wolf the following year. Managing a wildlife population of any species is not a mechanized machine. Wildlife management is an ebb and flow effort, no different from determining the number of antlerless deer that can be taken in a normal hunting season. Numbers get too low, permits are reduced. Numbers are too high,

permit numbers increase. Sounds like typical wildlife management strategies to me.

I will be very clear on my position. I am pro-wolf when populations are managed to a proper level as to allow the rest of the wildlife resources to be managed in a balanced approach. Should there be so many wolves that deer hunters see more wolves during a deer hunting season than they do deer? There are many reports that deer hunters in northern Minnesota will have more wolf sightings during the traditional deer hunting season.

How about the livestock operator who loses measurable profitability when wolf predation kills his or her livestock in numbers that impact their livelihood? There are places where your farm dog goes missing if you leave it unattended for a half hour. Wolves in many areas are losing their natural fear of humans, and that will lead to much bigger problems in the future.

I saw a doorbell camera record wolves killing two Labradors who were minding their own business sitting on the front steps of their owners' homes. This appears to me to be too many wolves.

There is a really big issue with declining moose population in my home state. Very rarely does anyone ever print or take the stance that wolves are killing too many moose calves. With wolf populations high, could this be the cause of moose calf mortality? I think it might be.

Whether you love wolves or hate them, they do have a place in the landscape as a top predator. States should be in charge of wolf management, not a court judge from California.

I am not sure where this issue will ever end up. The two sides don't seem to want to find a happy medium. It appears to be an all-or-nothing bar fight and this balance will never be achieved.

Even though you might not be impacted by wolves based on where you live, this issue should be a concern to you. If a court in a faraway state can determine how one species in our state is managed, it might lead them to try to manage all of our state's resources. This is not anything I could possibly sit for.

Scott Rall, Worthington, is a habitat conservationist, avid hunting and fishing enthusiast and is president of Nobles County Pheasants Forever. He can be reached at scottarall@gmail.com or on Twitter @habitat champion.



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## Cardinals' season comes to end

By Matt Lais

For the Star Herald

The Luverne Cardinal Girls' hockey team season came to an end during the Minnesota State Hockey Tournament Thursday.

The Cardinals met a solid South St. Paul team in the quarterfinals falling 3-1 before dropping a contest to River Lakes the next day 4-2.

The Cardinals finish the year with an impressive 23-5 record.

LHS 1, South St. Paul 3

The No. 5 seeded Luverne Cardinals opened the 2022 Minnesota Girls State Hockey Tournament facing the No. 4 seeded South St. Paul Packers.

It was the first time in school history that Luverne drew a top five seed in the state tournament.

South St. Paul opened the scoring 2:35 in the first period when Inga Oelerking fired a shot from the point to beat Luverne Cheyenne Schutz for the early 1-0 lead.

The Packers struck again seven minutes later when Eva Beck dumped a puck into the Luverne zone and found the back of the net to take the second goal lead going into the first intermission.

Shots on goal for the period were 16-4 in favor of South St. Paul. Schutz had 12 saves in the period.

The Cardinals got on the board when Payton Behr took a Mallory Von Tersch pass into the zone and blasted a wrister on the packers' goalie Delaney Norman.



Photo by CD for the Star Herald

The Luverne Cardinal girls' hockey team celebrate a goal against the South St. Paul Packers during the opening round of the state girls' hockey tournament Feb. 23 against South St. Paul. The Packers went on to win the game, 3-1.

Kamryn Van Batavia got the rebound as she was crashing into Norman to get the goal to cut the Packers lead to 2-1.

South St. Paul responded when Lilie Ramirez took the puck end to end and threw a shot on Schutz. After Schutz made a couple saves, the Packers' Aliyah Danielson got the rebound goal to make it 3-1 Packers after two periods.

Shots on goal for the second period were knotted at 12.

The final period saw both teams getting some opportunities, but nothing got past Schutz and Norman, and the game ended in favor of the Packers 3-1.

Shots on goal for the third period were 13-4 in favor of the Packers. Total shots on goal for the game were 41-21 in favor of South St. Paul. Luverne senior

goalie Cheyenne Schutz made 38 saves in the loss.

Luverne 2, River Lakes 4

The Cardinal Girls met the River Lakes Stars on Thursday in the consolation side of the state tournament at the TRIA Rink.

River Lakes jumped out to take the lead at 6:17 in the first period when Sophia Hess dangled her way to Luverne goalie Cheyenne Schutz.

Schutz made the initial save but River Lakes Abby Storms buried the rebound goal to give the Stars the 1-0 lead.

The Stars got another late goal in the first period when Sophia Hess took a pass into the slot and beat Schutz to take a 2-0 lead into intermission No. 1.

Shots on goal for the period were 13-13. Schutz had 11 saves for the Cardinals.

The Cardinals got on the board when Reghan Bork took the puck out of the Cardinals defensive zone and found a streaking Kamryn Van Batavia who took the puck into the offensive zone and fired a wrister above River Lakes Goalie Kaydence Roeske glove to cut the lead River Lakes lead to 2-1.

After a Luverne player covered the puck in Schutz's goal crease, River Lakes got the penalty shot and Kianna Roeske beat Schutz to take the 3-1 lead midway through the second period.

River Lakes got another when Roeske got behind the Cardinal

Girls' hockey, go to page 2B

## Luverne boys top Trojans Thursday, fall to Cougars Saturday

By Matt Lais

For the Star Herald

The No. 3 seeded Luverne Boys' hockey team opened the Section 3A tournament play Thursday hosting the No. 6 seed Worthington Trojans.

The Blue Mound Ice Arena was standing room only and the Cardinals ended up skating away with a 7-1 victory.

The Cardinals would meet the No. 2 seed Mankato East Cougars on Saturday in Mankato in the Section 3A Semifinals.

The Cardinals couldn't rebound from some penalty problems and their season ended by a score of 1-7.

The Luverne boys finished with a 15-11 record on the season.

Luverne 7, Worthington 1

The Cardinal boys welcomed I-90 rival Worthington Trojans into the Blue Mound Ice Arena on Thursday for the quarterfinals of the Section 3A boys' hockey tournament.

The BMIA was rocking at max capacity for the battle between the Trojans and Cardinals.

The first period saw a ton of action, a total of 25 total shots on goal between the teams, but the score remained knotted at zeros.

Luverne had a 18-7 advantage on shots on goal after the first period.

The Cardinals wasted no time getting things started in the second.

Blaik Bork and Brock Behrend capitalized on a beautiful 2-on-1 with Behrend beating Worthington goalie Steven Adams to take the 1-0 lead just 25 seconds in.

After a Cardinal penalty, the Trojans answered back with Konner Honius beating Luverne goalie Tyler Arends to knot the game at 1.

Luverne rattled off three more unanswered goals in the second to open up the game.

Boys' hockey, go to page 2B

## H-BC girls end regular season on high note

Dalton Bass

For the Star Herald

The Hills-Beaver Creek girls' basketball team wrapped up the season with a pair of wins over the past week.

The Lady Pates took down the Dragons 61-48 in Adrian Tuesday, Feb. 22, and went on to beat Heron Lake-Okabena-Fulda 61-51 Saturday in Worthington.

The Patriots capped a solid regular season finishing in second place in the Red Rock Conference with a record of 11-5 and 13-12 overall.

H-BC will face Southwest Christian Tuesday in Worthington for the first round of playoffs. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

HBC 61 AE 48

The Lady Pates wrapped up



Samantha McGaffee for the Star Herald

Kenadie Fick led the Hills-Beaver Creek Patriots to a pair of late season wins on her way to becoming the 22nd athlete to join the school's 1,000-point club.

their final game before playoffs with a win over Adrian-Ellsworth Tuesday night in Adrian.

In a game in which she scored her 1,000th career point, senior Kenadie Fick led the way with 23 points.

The Dragons were able to hang around in the first half as they went into halftime with a 25-21 deficit.

H-BC started to pull away in the second half outscoring Adrian-Ellsworth 36-27 after the break for a final score of 61-48.

Sophomore Layla Deelstra scored in double digits with 10 points while Sam Moser and Lanae Elbers had eight apiece.

Fick 6 3 2-2 23, Rauk 0 0 0-0 0, L Deelstra 3 1 1-2 10, Voss 3 0 0-0 6, Bork 0 0 0-0 0, Steinhoff 1 0 0-2 2, Anderson 0 0 0-0 0, O Deelstra 0 0 0-0 0, Elbers 4 2 1-5 15, Moser 4 0 0-2 8, Spykerboer 0 0 0-0 0, Harris 0 0 0-0 0, E Deelstra 0 0 0-0 0

Team Statistics

HBC girls, continued on page 2B

## Ripka punches ticket to state wrestling tourney

By Canaan Petersen

The Cardinal wrestling team traveled to Wabasso Saturday, Feb. 26, and returned home with seven medals.

Luverne senior Braydon Ripka earned a trip to the 3A State Tournament with his second-place finish at 145 pounds.

Seven out of eight Cardinal wrestlers placed, beginning with Rayden Boyenga at 113 pounds. Posting a 2-2 record, Boyenga returned home with a fourth-place medal.

At 120 pounds, Leif Ingebretsen secured a medal after wins in consolation, but lost his final match 4-2 to Wabasso's Mikale Goblirsch receiving a sixth-place finish. The same result occurred for Hudson Hough at 126 picking up a sixth-place medal.

Luverne senior Noah Mehlhaff posted a 3-1 record securing third place. He began his day at 132 pounds by pinning Red Rock Central's Zakary Zimmermann in 2:28.

In the semifinals, Mehlhaff was bested by Ayden Horner of Tracy before rebounding with a 14-8 decision over Levi Miest from Saint James Area.

In the third-place match, Mehlhaff pinned Pipestone's Davis Budden in 1:52.

"Noah wrestled a fantastic tournament and ended placing higher than where he was seeded. It feels great to see a senior end his career that way," head coach Jordan Kopp said.

As a senior ending his run as a Luverne wrestler, Mehlhaff reflected on his high school wrestling career.

"I came in as the fifth seed, pinned the fourth and third seed, but came up short with the 1 and 2 seed," he said. "I feel pretty good, but a little disappointed."

In his final section tournament appearance, Braydon Ripka produced three wins on his way to the finals before finishing

Wrestling, go to 2B

By Jason Berghorst

For the Star Herald

The Luverne girls' basketball team won both of its final regular season games and its first playoff game last week.

The Cardinals defeated Edgerton Public 69-47 on the road Tuesday, Feb. 22, to secure their 21st victory and end the regular season 21-4.

On Saturday night, the LHS girls, seeded No. 1 in Section 3AA-South, opened the tournament by hosting the No. 8-seeded Redwood Valley Cardinals.

The higher-seeded Cardinals had no trouble with the visitors, and Luverne defeated Redwood Valley 56-15 to advance to the sub-section semifinals.

Luverne traveled to Windom to face the No. 4-seeded Jackson County Central Huskies on Tuesday night after this edition of the Star Herald went to press.

A win would have Luverne playing the winner of Minnesota Valley Lutheran vs. Fairmont in the sub-section championship Friday night at 7 p.m. at a location to be determined. A victory on Friday

## Cardinal girls win first playoff game



Photo by CD for the Star Herald

Luverne's Averill Sehr drives to the basket against two Redwood Valley Cardinal opponents during the opening game of the Section 3AA-South tournament Feb. 24 in Luverne. Luverne, the No. 1 seed, won the battle of the Cardinals 56-15.

would mean a trip to the Section 3AA championship game on March 11 at SMSU in Marshall.

Luverne 69, Edgerton 47

The Cardinals ended the regular season with a

69-47 victory over Edgerton Public Feb. 22 in Edgerton.

While both teams shot 50 percent from the field, Luverne had the advantage making nine three-pointers compared to two for Edgerton.

The Cardinals also out-shot the Dutchmen at the free-throw line with 14 points from the charity stripe compared to nine for Edgerton.

Luverne led 34-22 at halftime and grew its lead in the second half outpacing Edgerton 35-25.

Christina Wagner led all scorers with 26 points. Both Brooklynn Ver Steeg and Averill Sehr added ten points for the Cardinals.

Box Score:  
C. Wagner 6 3 5-6 26, Beyer 0 1 1-2 4, Ver Steeg 3 1 1-2 10, Sehr 1 1 5-7 10, Stegenga 0 0 0-0 0, Sandbulte 0 0 0-0 0, John 3 0 0-4 6, Smith 0 0 0-0 0, Serie 1 1 0-0 5, Bloemendaal 0 0 0-0 0, Hansen 0 2 0-0 6, Schmuck 0 0 1-2 1, Hart 0 0 1-2 1

Team Stats:  
Luverne: 23 of 46 (50 percent), 14 of 25 free throws (56 percent), 22 rebounds, 17 turnovers  
Edgerton: 18 of 36 (50 percent), 9 of 16 free throws (56 percent), 23 rebounds, 29 turnovers

Luverne 56, Redwood Valley 15

It was a traditional unbalanced affair between the No. 1 seed and the No. 8 seed when the Luverne Cardinals hosted the Redwood

LHS girls, go to page 2B

# LHS boys split final regular season contests

By Jason Berghorst  
for the Star Herald

The Luverne boys' basketball team split its final two regular season games last week.

The Cardinals lost to Worthington at home Feb. 22 by a score of 84-76 before winning on the road in Minneota, 73-59, Friday night.

Luverne finished the regular season 10-13 overall and 4-7 in Section 3AA play. The team earned the No. 6 seed in the section tournament.

The Cards open the playoffs Saturday night in Fairmont against the No. 3-seeded Cardinals.

Fairmont is 11-11 on the year and 5-2 in section games.

## Worthington 84, Luverne 76

The final home game for the Luverne Cardinals didn't turn out as hoped for the Cardinals.

The Worthington Trojans came to the Classic Gym on Tuesday, Feb. 22, and defeated the home team to earn the season sweep over the Cardinals.

The Trojans led 50-34 at halftime before Luverne mounted a comeback

in the second half, outscoring the visitors 42-34 after the half.

It wasn't enough, however, as Worthington held on for the 84-76 victory.

Gannon Ahrendt led the scoring with 32 points. Connor Overgaard totaled 13 points.

Overgaard and Nathaniel Cole-Kraty both tallied seven rebounds for the Cardinals.

**Box Score:**  
Cole-Kraty 1 0 2-6 4, Schoeneman 1 2 0-0 8, Cowell 0 0 0-0 0, Sehr 0 1 1-4 4, Radtke 3 0 3-5 9, De Beer 3 0 0-0 6, Ahrendt 12 1 5-7 32, Overgaard 5 0 3-5 13

**Team Stats:**  
Luverne: 29 of 58 (50 percent), 14 of 27 free throws (52 percents), 25 rebounds, 15 turnovers  
Worthington: 30 of 46 (65 percent), 17 of 27 free throws (63 percent), 28 rebounds, 23 turnovers

## Luverne 73, Minneota 59

The Cardinals wrapped up the 2021-22 regular season on a high note by earning a solid 73-59 victory over the Minneota Vikings in Minneota Friday night.

"We had some kids who stepped up in the second half after they had closed out lead," said LHS head coach John Sichmeller.

"It was good to see how the kids reacted as we head into the playoffs. They didn't panic and continued to play our game."

Luverne's offense was again led by Ahrendt who had 36 points, including three 3-pointers, in the game.

Connor Overgaard added 10 points for the victors.

Luverne ended the regular season with a record of 10-13.

**Box Score:**  
Cole-Kraty 3 0 1-2 7, Schoeneman 0 1 0-0 3, Frahm 0 0 0-0 0, Cowell 0 0 0-0 0, Sehr 1 0 2-2 4, Radtke 1 1 3-7 8, Friedrichsen 0 0 1-2 1, DeBeer 2 0 0-0 4, Ahrendt 10 3 7-10 36, Overgaard 3 0 4-6 10, Arp 0 0 0-0 0

**Team Stats:**  
Luverne: 25 of 47 (53 percent), 18 of 29 free throws (62 percent), 37 rebounds, 13 turnovers  
Minneota: 25 of 77 (32 percent), 2 of 6 free throws (33 percent), 42 rebounds, 8 turnovers

# H-BC girls/continued from page 1B

**HBC: 26 of 56 (46 percent), 5 for 11 Free Throws (45 percent), 28 Rebounds, 18 Turnovers**  
**AE: 18 of 50 (36 percent), 6 for 8 Free Throws (75 percent), 21 Rebounds, 26 Turnovers**

## HBC 61 HLOF 51

In the last game of the day at Worthington High School, the Patriots came away with a victory Saturday afternoon over the Heron Lake-Okabena-Fulda Coyotes.

The game was tightly contested all the way through.

The Patriots were able to overcome

their 22 turnovers in the contest on their way to a 61-51 victory.

The game was much closer than the score ended up. The Lady Pates held just a 29-26 advantage at halftime.

The game remained within seven points for the entire second half until the final two minutes of the game.

Senior Kenadie Fick led the way again with 20 points and 6 rebounds.

Sophomore Lanae Elbers also had a solid outing with 15 points and 9 rebounds. Senior Sam Moser had 4

points and 9 rebounds while sophomore Brynn Rauk had 5 points and 3 steals.

**Fick 1 3 9-11 20, Rauk 1 1 0-0 5, L Deelstra 2 0 0-0 4, Voss 1 0 3-4 5, Bork 0 0 0-0 0, Steinhoff 1 0 0-2 2, Anderson 0 0 0-0 0, O Deelstra 1 0 2-3 4, Elbers 4 0 0-0 8, Moser 2 0 0-0 4, Spykerboer 0 0 0-0 0, Harris 2 0 2-3 6, E Deelstra 0 0 0-0 0**

**Team Statistics**  
**HBC: 20 of 61 (33 percent), 15 for 25 Free Throws (60 percent), 43 Rebounds, 22 Turnovers**  
**HLOF: 20 of 50 (40 percent), 6 for 18 Free Throws (33 percent), 21 Rebounds, 20 Turnovers**

# LHS girls/continued from page 1B

Valley girls in the Luverne Classic Gym for the first round of Section 3AA-South tournament play Saturday night.

The host Cardinals led the Redwood Valley Cardinals 33-8 at halftime and outscored the visitors 23-7 in the second half to secure the 56-15 victory.

Kira John led all scorers with 15 points for Luverne. Christina Wagner had 13 points.

John also pulled in 11 rebounds for the Cardinals. Wagner and Averill Sehr had ten rebounds each in the game.

The comfortable first-round win allowed Luverne to show its depth with nine LHS players scoring points.

**Box Score:**  
C. Wagner 4 1 2-3 13, Beyer 2 1 1-1 8, Ver Steeg 1 0 2-2 4, Sehr 3 0 0-0 6, Stegenga 0 1 0-0 3, Sandbulte 1 0 0-0 2, John 6 0 2-2 14, Smith 1 0 0-0 2, Serie 0 0 0-0 0, Bloemendaal 0 0 0-0 0, Hansen 2 0 0-0 4, Schmuck 0 0 0-0 0

**Team Stats:**  
Luverne: 23 of 62 (37 percent), 7 of 8 free throws (88 percent), 38 rebounds, 16 turnovers  
RWV: 6 of 33 (18 percent), 1 of 6 free throws (17 percent), 28 rebounds, 33 turnovers

Randy and Kathy Fick.

H-BC senior Cole Baker scored his 1,000th point Friday night in the game with Russel Tyler Ruthton.

"Cole is an unbelievable athlete and ultimate competitor. He wants what is best for the team and is humble in his individual achievements," said H-BC boys' basketball head coach Kale Wiertzema.

"It has been an honor to coach him and I'm thankful I was able to be a part of his 1,000th point achievement."

Cole is the son of Randy and Janie Baker.

Fick and Baker are the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Patriots basketball players to join the H-BC 1,000-point club.

# H-BC senior basketball players join 1,000-point club

Two Hills-Beaver Creek High School basketball players joined the school's 1,000-point club in the past week.

H-BC senior Kenadie Fick scored her 1,000th point on Tuesday night, Feb. 22, during the game with Adrian-Ellsworth.

"I have said it time and time again, Kenadie Fick is one of the hardest working players I have ever been around," said H-BC girls' basketball head coach Dylan Gehrke.

"To reach that 1,000-point mark was special for her, I'm so proud of her dedication to Lady Patriot Basketball. She has paved the way for our younger generation on what it looks like to be a Lady Patriot."

Kenadie is the daughter of

# Boys' hockey/continued from page 1B

Bork took a nice backdoor pass from Behrend on another 2-on-1 to make it 2-1.

Luverne senior Jack Schlosser beat Adams 5-hole to give the Cardinals a 3-1 lead.

Behrend took advantage of a Trojan turnover on the power play and beat Adams on the shorthanded goal to give the Cardinals a 4-1 lead after two periods.

Shots on goal for the second period were in favor of the Cardinals 16-9.

In the final period the Cardinals stayed on the gas pedal.

Behrend picked the Trojans defense turnover up and blasted a wrister past Adams to take the 5-1 lead just seven seconds into the period.

Patrick Kroski picked up Goal number six for the Cardinals when he buried the puck after a scrum in front of the net.

The Cardinals had one more in them, as Kroski dangled a few Trojan defenders and fired a wrister on Adams where a streaking Elliot Domagala crashed the net picking up the rebound goal.

This gave the Cardinals a 7-1 lead and that's where things ended at the BMIA



Photo by CD for the Star Herald

Luverne sophomore Elliot Domagala clears the zone for the Cardinals in the opening round of the Section 3A tournament in Luverne against the Worthington Trojans. The Cardinals, seeded No. 3, skated to an easy 7-1 win.

on Thursday.

Shots on goal for the period were in favor of the Trojans 10-5. Luverne held the advantage in shots for the game 39-26. Arends finished with 25 saves in the contest.

**LHS 1, Mankato East 7**  
The Cardinal boys trav-

eled to Mankato Saturday afternoon for the Section 3A Semifinal game against the Mankato East Cougars.

Luverne took the early lead on a Brock Behrend goal with assists going to Owen Sudenga and Blaik Bork just 1:59 into the first period.

Mankato East an-

# H-BC boys split games in past week

By Dalton Bass  
For the Star Herald

The Hills-Beaver Creek boys' basketball team lost two games and won one over the past week.

They took a beating from Southwest Christian 91-51 Tuesday, Feb. 22, in Edgerton, before dropping a hard-fought game to RTR 77-70 Friday night in Hills.

The Patriots ended on a high note Monday night in Hills where they took down the Edgerton Dutchmen 45-36.

H-BC finished the regular season tied for fourth in the Red Rock Conference with a record of 9-7 and 11-12 overall.

The Patriots earned the No. 6 seed in the Subsection 3A South Tournament and will face the No. 3 seed Tracy-Milroy-Balaton at 4 p.m. Saturday in Worthington.

## SWC 91 HBC 51

The Eagles were able to get the best of the Patriots Tuesday night in Edgerton. Southwest Christian led from start to finish in the contest. They got out to a 44-28 halftime lead and never looked back. The Patriots ultimately fell 91-51 as the buzzer sounded.

Cole Baker led the team with 22 points. Liam Raymon added 11 points and 7 rebounds.

**Baker 5 3 3-3 22, Deelstra 2 0 0-0 4, Raymon 2 0 7-10 11, Harnack 1 0 0-0 2, Page 0 0 1-2 1, Leenderts 2 0 0-0 4, Bundesen 1 0 0-1 2, Gehrke 0 0 0-0 0, Metzger 0 0 0-0 0, Taubert 0 0 0-0 0, Durst 0 0 0-0 0, Scholten 1 0 0-0 2, Harris 1 0 1-2 3, Wiersema 0 0 0-0 0**

**Team Statistics**  
**HBC: 18 of 55 (33 percent), 12 for 18 Free Throws (67 percent), 26 Rebounds, 26 Turnovers**  
**SWC: 41 of 78 (53 percent), 4 for 9 Free Throws (44 percent), 45 Rebounds, 14 Turnovers**

## RTR 77 HBC 70

A great basketball contest came down to the final couple minutes Friday night in Hills.

The Russell Tyler Ruthton Knights ended up coming away with the victory over H-BC.

The Patriots have nothing to hang their head about after this one though. This was a battle all game long against a very good RTR team.

The Patriots found

themselves trailing by nine at halftime before clawing their way back and tying the game late in the second half.

Seniors Cole Baker (28 points) and Oliver Deelstra (23 points) helped lead the comeback scoring a combined 51 points. The Patriots rally came up just short with the final score being 77-70.

Seniors Andrew Harris (8 points) and Ty Bundesen (6 points and 7 rebounds) also contributed for the Patriots.

**Baker 5 3 9-9 28, Deelstra 9 0 5-9 23, Raymon 1 0 1-2 3, Harnack 0 0 0-0 0, Page 0 0 0-0 0, Leenderts 1 0 0-0 2, Bundesen 1 1 1-2 6, Gehrke 0 0 0-0 0, Metzger 0 0 0-0 0, Taubert 0 0 0-0 0, Durst 0 0 0-0 0, Scholten 0 0 0-0 0, Harris 4 0 0-4 8, Wiersema 0 0 0-0 0**

**Team Statistics**  
**HBC: 25 of 51 (49 percent), 16 for 26 Free Throws (62 percent), 27 Rebounds, 17 Turnovers**  
**RTR: 31 of 66 (30 percent), 12 for 17 Free Throws (71 percent), 32 Rebounds, 14 Turnovers**

## HBC 45 Edg 36

The Patriot boys capped off their regular season with a victory over Edgerton Monday night in Hills

It was a low scoring affair with Patriots on an 18-10 lead with five minutes remaining in the first half.

The Dutchmen went on an 8-0 run to tie the game at 18 before the Patriots hit two buckets to gain a 22-18 halftime advantage.

The second half went back and forth, but eventually the Patriots pulled away for a 45-36 victory.

Ty Bundesen led the way for the Patriots with 10 points, 7 rebounds, and 3 steals. Liam Raymon also scored 10 points while Oliver Deelstra had 7.

**Baker 0 0 2-2 2, Deelstra 1 0 5-5 7, Raymon 3 1 1-3 10, Harnack 1 1 0-0 5, Page 0 0 0-2 0, Leenderts 0 2 1-2 7, Bundesen 3 0 4-5 10, Gehrke 0 0 0-0 0, Metzger 0 0 0-0 0, Taubert 0 0 0-0 0, Durst 1 0 0-0 0, Scholten 0 0 0-0 0, Harris 1 0 0-1 2, Wiersema 0 0 0-0 0**

**Team Statistics**  
**HBC: 14 of 51 (27 percent), 13 for 20 Free Throws (65 percent), 29 Rebounds, 14 Turnovers**  
**Edg: 13 of 47 (28 percent), 3 for 10 Free Throws (30 percent), 36 Rebounds, 22 Turnovers**

# Wrestling/continued from page 1B

in second place.

Ripka began his day by pinning Red Rock Central's Andrew Pankonin in 1:18 before pinning Pipestone's Gavin Olson in 2:55.

In the semifinals, Ripka bested Adrian's Rilee Heidebrink 10-4. Jackson's Dylan Withers ended Ripka's win streak by pinning him in 1:28.

By securing second place, Ripka now advances to the state tournament beginning Friday, March 4.

"It feels great to accomplish a goal since I started my varsity wrestling career in eighth grade," Ripka said.

"It's a new experience and it's pretty cool I made it. I'm just headed up to have some fun and wrestle."

At 170 pounds, Jacob Madison navigated his way into the fifth-place match and beat Wabasso's Ezekial Olson 6-4. Senior Ayden Bonnett also secured a fifth-place medal at 195 pounds.

"I'm incredibly proud of the team as they have been working hard all season," Kopp said.

"We had expectations to come home with several medals but returning back to Luverne with seven medals just makes it that much better."

# Girls' hockey/continued from page 1B

defenders to go in all alone and get one past Schutz to give the Stars a 4-1 lead going into the final period.

Shots on goal for the second period were in favor of the Stars 16-8.

In the final period Luverne pounded 15 shots on River Lakes. Van Batavia took a feed from Payton Behr and blasted a wrister past Roeske to cut the Stars' lead to 4-2.

The Cardinals battled

but couldn't get anything past Roeske and the Stars would go on to win the game 4-2.

The Cardinals' impressive season came to an end, as did the high school hockey careers of seniors Reghan Bork, Cheyenne Schutz and Brenn Siebenahler.

Shots on goal for the third period were 15-9 in favor of the Cardinals. Total shots for the game were 38-36 in favor of the Stars.

### St. Catherine Catholic Church

203 E. Brown St., Luverne  
St. Catherine Ph. 283-8502; www.stscl.org  
Monsignor Gerald Kosse, Pastor  
Sundays 8:30 a.m. Mass. Public Mass will be celebrated at FULL capacity in the church. Masses: 9 a.m. Wednesdays, 10 a.m. Friday at the nursing homes – check the bulletin. All Sunday masses will be live streamed on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pg/stcluverne/videos/>. Visit [www.stscl.org](http://www.stscl.org) for more information.

### Luverne Christian Reformed Church

605 N. Estey St., Luverne  
Office Ph. 283-8482; Prayer Line Ph. 449-5982  
www.luverneccrc.com — office@luverneccrc.com  
Sundays 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 6:30 p.m. Evening worship service. We are streaming Sunday services live on YouTube at 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Send him a friend request if you're not connected. You may also visit our website for delayed broadcasts. Also our services are on local cable TV at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays. In all circumstances, may we joyfully declare: "Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." Psalm 124:8.

### First Baptist Church

103 N. Jackson St., P.O. Box 975, Luverne  
Ph. 283-4091; email: fbcluv@iw.net — www.fbcluverne.org  
Walt Moser, Pastor  
Sundays, 10:30 a.m. In-person worship service. Service is also on Facebook Live at 10:30 a.m.

### Grace Lutheran Church

500 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne  
Ph. 507-283-4431; www.graceluverne.org — graceluverne@iw.net  
Ann Zastrow, Pastor  
Dave Christenson, Interim Pastor

Thursday, March 3: 8:30 a.m. Missions in Action. Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion. 10 a.m. Sunday School and fellowship coffee. 10 a.m. 5<sup>th</sup> grade First Communion class. 5 p.m. Worship with Holy Communion. 6 p.m. Junior high youth night. 6:30 p.m. worship practice. Tuesday, March 8: 9 a.m. Staff meeting. 6:45 p.m. Ministry meetings. 8 p.m. PPC meetings. Wednesday, March 9: 7 a.m. Men's Bible study. 5-6:30 p.m. Lenten supper. 6:45 p.m. Lenten service. 7:45 p.m. Voices of Grace rehearsal. Online, TV and Radio Worship options are available. Online: Sundays 9 a.m. on the church website [www.graceluverne.org](http://www.graceluverne.org), click Worship tab or go directly to our Facebook page at Grace Lutheran ELCA, Luverne. TV: Vast Channel 3 will air our worship service Mondays at 4:30 p.m. and Fridays at 10 a.m. Radio: KQAD-AM Radio will air our worship service on Sundays at 8:15 a.m.

### Bethany Lutheran Church

720 N. Kniss Ave., Luverne  
Ph. 507-283-4571 or 605-215-9834  
Sundays, 10:15 a.m. Worship service; worship online as well (at els.org). Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Zoom Bible study. See our Facebook page, Bethany Lutheran Church (Luverne) for other classes and events.

### American Reformed Church

304 N. Fairview Dr., Luverne  
Ph. 283-8600; email: office@arcluverne.org  
Thursday, March 3: 9 a.m. Cookie Crew. 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tykes. Friday, March 4: 6:30 a.m. Community Men's Bible study. Sunday, March 6: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. 10:50 a.m. Sunday school. Wednesday, March 9: 5:30 p.m. Midweek Meal. 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Club. 6:30 p.m. Jr. and Sr. High youth groups. Thursday, March 10: 5:30 p.m. Tumbling Tykes. Services are also broadcast on Vast Channel 3 on Mondays at 6 p.m. and Wednesdays at 4 p.m. DVD's available upon request. To stay up to date on announcements, follow us on Facebook and Instagram @arcluverne.

### Rock River Community Church (formerly First Assembly of God)

1075 110<sup>th</sup> Ave., 2 miles west of Luverne on County Rd. 4  
Ph. 612-800-1255; email info@rockrivercommunity.church  
Bob Junak, Pastor; Annette Junak, Assistant Pastor  
Sundays, 9 a.m. Sunday school; 10 a.m. Worship service. Children's church for ages 3-6<sup>th</sup> grade and nursery for ages 0-3 provided during our services. Wednesdays, 7 p.m. Worship service. All services are in-person and all are welcome.

### United Methodist Church

109 N. Freeman Ave., Luverne  
Ph. 283-4529  
Saturday, March 5: 8 p.m. AA meeting. Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Adult Sunday school. 9:15 a.m. Coffee. 10:30 a.m. Worship service. 4:30 p.m. Genesis/Revelation Bible study. Tuesday, March 8: 1:30 p.m. Sewing ministry. Wednesday, March 9: 6:15 p.m. FUEL. 6:30 p.m. Confirmation. 7 p.m. Lenten service at UMC with First Presbyterian. 8 p.m. AA meeting. Live streamed on Facebook and radio.

### First Presbyterian Church

302 Central Lane, Luverne  
Ph. 283-4787; email: Firstpc@iw.net  
Sunday, March 6: 9:30 a.m. Worship service. 10:30 a.m. Sunday school. Wednesday, March 9: 5:15 p.m. Bells. 6 p.m. Choir. 6-8 p.m. Youth fellowship. 7 p.m. Lenten service at United Methodist Church. Session to follow service. Thursday, March 10: 9 a.m. PW coordinating team. In-person Wor-

ship service and live on Facebook. Our Facebook page can be found under First Presbyterian Church of Luverne. We are also on the local Luverne cable station at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and 10 a.m. on Thursdays.

### St. John Lutheran Church

803 N. Cedar St., Luverne  
Ph. 283-2316; email: stjoh@iw.net  
www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org  
Rev. Dr. Phil Booe, Pastor  
Saturday, March 5: 5:30 p.m. Worship Service. Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Worship Service. 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible class; Sunday School. Wednesday, March 9: 9:30 a.m. Bible study. 6:30 p.m. Kids for Christ; 6:30-8 p.m. Confirmation. 7:30 p.m. High School Youth Group. Services will be available on the Vast Channel 3 Sunday and online at the city website, [cityofluverne.org](http://cityofluverne.org).

### Living Rock Church

500 E. Main St., Luverne  
Ph. 449-0057; www.livingrockswmn.org  
Billy Skaggs, Pastor

### New Life Celebration Church

101 W. Maple, Luverne  
Ph. (605) 368-1924; email: newlifecelebration@gmail.com  
Food mission every third Thursday.

### Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

305 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., P.O. Box 36, Hardwick  
Ph. (507) 669-2855; zionoffice@alliancecom.net  
Jesse Baker, Pastor  
Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Worship service. 10:15 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Bible study. Worship service on Luverne cable at 3:30 p.m. every Thursday and Friday.

### Ben Clare United Methodist Church

26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, S.D.  
igtwlb@WOW.net  
Bill Bates, Pastor

### First Lutheran Church

300 Maple St., Valley Springs, S.D.  
Ph. (605) 757-6662  
Mark Eliason, Pastor  
Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Worship at First Lutheran. 10 a.m. Sunday school. Masks are strongly recommended, but not required, even if fully vaccinated. Worship will be streamed live on Facebook Video worship via YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LHdQwVxFU4>

### Palisade Lutheran Church

211 121<sup>st</sup> St., Garretson, S.D.  
Ph. (507) 597-6257 — firstpalisade@alliancecom.net  
Mark Eliason, Pastor  
Sunday, March 6: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. Worship at Palisade Lutheran. Wednesday, March 2: 7 p.m. Ash Wednesday service at Palisade Lutheran. Masks are strongly recommended, but not required, even if fully vaccinated. Worship will be streamed live on Facebook. Video worship via YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LHdQwVxFU4>

### First Presbyterian Church

201 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., P.O. Box 73, Beaver Creek  
Ph. 507-935-5025  
email: lori.firstpres@gmail.com  
Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Worship Service. Second Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m. Session meeting.

### Magnolia United Methodist Church

501 E. Luverne St., Magnolia  
Ph. 605-215-3429  
email: magnoliannumc@gmail.com  
Nancy Manning, Pastor  
Sunday, 9 a.m., in-person with livestream available on the church's Facebook site.

### Steen Reformed Church

112 W. Church Ave., Steen  
Ph. 855-2336  
Jeremy Wiersema, Pastor  
Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Worship service in-person with livestream available on Facebook and YouTube. Radio worship on KQAD Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

### Bethlehem Lutheran Church

112 N. Main St., Hills  
Ph. 962-3270  
Sunday, March 6: 9 a.m. Worship at Tuff Chapel. 10 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion. 9 a.m. Sunday School. 7-8:30 p.m. Youth group meets. Worship will be streamed live to Facebook at Bethlehem of Hills. You can find more info on our website [blchills.org](http://blchills.org). Tuesday, March 8: 2 p.m. Tuff Home Bible study. 3:30 p.m. Tuff Village Bible study. Wednesday, March 9: 9 a.m. Quilting. 6 p.m. Confirmation. 7 p.m. Social/dessert time. 7:15 p.m. Wednesday night worship service.

### Hills United Reformed Church

410 S. Central Ave., Hills  
Office Ph. 962-3254  
hillsurc@alliancecom.net  
Alan Camarigg, Pastor

## Lent means time for renewal and to remember blessings

Yesterday was Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent.

In the Christian church, this is a season of 40 days (not including Sundays), beginning Ash Wednesday (this year March 2) and ending Easter Saturday (this year April 16).

It is a season of penitence, repentance, and reflection.

On Ash Wednesday, ashes are put on the forehead, in the shape of a cross, the pastor reminding us, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Psalm 51 is often read, a psalm traditionally said to have been written by King David, after the prophet Nathan came to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba, pointing out his sin.

Sundays are not counted in the 40 days, because each Sunday is a "little Easter" celebration, remembering the day that Jesus rose from the dead.

There are many traditions during Lent.

Some include fasting and/or eating fish on Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent (St. Catherine's makes that easy every other Friday, with their delicious fish fry!), giving something up for the season (chocolate, coffee, swearing, etc.), adding something in (saying more prayers, doing good deeds, etc.), or giving alms (donating money to charitable organizations or toward specific projects).

Many traditions hold special mid-

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By Pastor Ann Zastrow, Grace Lutheran Church, Luverne

week Lenten worship services.

I know Grace has services each Wednesday during Lent at 6:45 p.m., with a simple soup supper beforehand, and I'm sure other churches in the community have similar traditions and opportunities.

The season of Lent gives us a chance to slow down some, reflect on what Christ did on the cross, and look at our own lives to see what areas may need some cleaning up.

Have we treated others kindly? Have we been helpful to family members? Have we looked at others, and tried to see them, and their actions, in the best possible light? Are there things that we have done that we shouldn't have, and things we haven't done that we should have, that we need to apologize or atone for? Have we gossiped about someone, passing on untrue information?

These and many other questions can be asked, and answered, at any time, but they are especially appropriate during Lent.

May your Lenten journey be a time of blessing and renewal.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: July 31, 2009  
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$142,300.00  
MORTGAGOR(S): Jimmie H. Lafrenz and Janice M. Larson, two single persons  
MORTGAGEE: Minnwest Mortgage Corporation  
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON THE MORTGAGE: Minnwest Mortgage Corporation  
SERVICER: Specialized Loan Servicing LLC  
DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Filed August 3, 2009, Rock County Recorder, as Document Number 171866

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc; Dated: July 31, 2009, filed: September 3, 2009, recorded as document number 171867; thereafter assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC; Dated: February 1, 2018 filed: April 26, 2018, recorded as document number 192552

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:  
That part of the SE 1/4 of Section 35, Township 102 North, Range 46 West of the 5th p.m. described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 35; Thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 35 seconds West (Geodetic bearing) along the South line of the SE 1/4 of said Section a distance of 717.00 feet to the point of beginning; Thence North 00 degrees 02 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 50.00 feet to a point; Thence continuing North 00 degrees 02 minutes 26 seconds West a distance of 425.00 feet to a point; Thence South 89 degrees 57 minutes 35 seconds West a distance of 655.00 feet to a point; Thence South 00 degrees 02 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 425.00 feet to a point; Thence continuing South 00 degrees 02 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 50.00 feet to said South line; Thence North 89 degrees 57 minutes 35 seconds East along said South line a distance of 655.00 feet to said point of beginning.  
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 783 71st St, Beaver Creek, MN 56116  
PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 02-0191-000  
COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock  
THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$136,819.12

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: March 25, 2022, 10:00 a.m.  
PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Main Office, West Side Sheriff Dept, Front Step, Luverne, MN 56156

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within 6 months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s) the personal representatives or assigns.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property, if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23, is 11:59 p.m. on September 25, 2022, or the next business day if September 25, 2022, falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 582.032 DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN 5 UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

Dated: January 27, 2022  
Specialized Loan Servicing LLC  
Assignee of Mortgagee  
LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP  
BY \_\_\_\_\_  
Melissa L. B. Porter - 0337778  
Gary J. Evers - 0134764  
Joseph M. Rossman - 0397070  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
LOGS Legal Group LLP  
12550 West Frontage Road, Suite 200  
Burnsville, MN 55337  
(952) 831-4060

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR  
(02-03, 02-10, 02-17, 02-24, 03-03, 03-10)

## City of Luverne seeks bids by March 23

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Council of Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota, at the Luverne City Offices, 305 East Luverne Street, P.O. Box 659, Luverne, Minnesota 56156 on Wednesday, the 23rd of March, 2022, at 1:00 P.M. for the Schmuck Addition Utility Extension, Luverne, Minnesota, at which time the proposals shall be publicly opened and read aloud by the City Administrator and Engineer.

The approximate quantities of work on which proposals will be received are as follows:

974 L.F.	8" Sanitary Sewer Main, Trenched
94 L.F.	8" Sanitary Sewer Main, Trenchless
710 L.F.	8" Water Main, Trenched
6 Ea.	Sanitary Manholes

and other related items of construction.

All bids shall be made on proposal forms furnished by the Engineer and shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a certified check or bid bond, made payable to the City of Luverne, Minnesota, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid, which security becomes the property of the City in the event the successful bidder fails to enter into contract and post satisfactory bond. Work shall commence on or after May 18, 2022, and be completed by September 3, 2022.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities and irregularities. The City also reserves the right to increase, decrease or delete items of work to comply with budget limitations.

The City is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Contractor and all subcontractors shall submit to the Owner a signed statement verifying compliance with each of the criteria described in the State of Minnesota "Responsible Contractor" law as codified in Minnesota Statute section 16C.285. See the Instructions to Bidders for more details.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at [www.questcdn.com](http://www.questcdn.com). You may download the digital plan documents for \$20.00 by inputting Quest project #8136488 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or [info@questcdn.com](mailto:info@questcdn.com) for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. An optional paper set of the proposal forms and specifications for individual use may be obtained from the office of the Engineer, DGR Engineering, 1302 South Union, P.O. Box 511, Rock Rapids, Iowa 51246, telephone 712-472-2531, Fax 712-472-2710, e-mail: [dgr@dgr.com](mailto:dgr@dgr.com), upon payment of \$50.00, none of which is refundable.

Published upon order of the City Council of Luverne, Minnesota.  
CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA  
By /s/ Patrick T. Baustian,  
Mayor  
(03-03)

## Sandbulte brings forth land patent benefit

We, Dale and Jodi Sandbulte, are bringing forth our Land Patent Benefit. If interested see [www.minnesotaassembly.net/public-notice](http://www.minnesotaassembly.net/public-notice).  
(02-10, 02-17, 02-24, 03-03, 03-10, 03-17, 03-24, 03-31)

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for April 7

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**  
**THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: September 11, 2008  
MORTGAGOR: Tracy J. Renken, a single person.  
MORTGAGEE: Midwest Minnesota Community Development Corporation.  
DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded September 11, 2008 Rock County Recorder, Document No. 169790.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A. Dated September 11, 2008 Recorded September 11, 2008, as Document No. 169791. And thereafter assigned to: Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC. Dated January 13, 2014, Recorded February 3, 2014, as Document No. 183425.

TRANSACTION AGENT: NONE  
TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ON MORTGAGE: NONE  
LENDER OR BROKER AND MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR STATED ON MORTGAGE: Midwest Minnesota Community Development Corporation

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE SERVICER: Carrington Mortgage Services LLC  
MORTGAGED PROPERTY ADDRESS: 418 E Maple St, Luverne, MN 56156  
TAX PARCEL I.D. #: 201079000  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:

The N.57 feet of Lots 10 and 11 in Block 3 in the Original Plat of the City of Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock  
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$64,400.00  
AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$49,886.05

That prior to the commencement of this mortgage foreclosure proceeding Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee complied with all notice requirements as required by statute; That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: April 7, 2022 at 10:00 A.M.  
PLACE OF SALE: Sheriff's Office, Main Entrance, Law Enforcement Center, 1000 North Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, MN

to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns unless reduced to Five (5) weeks under MN Stat. §580.07.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, unless otherwise provided by law, the date on or before which the mortgagor(s) must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property is not redeemed under section 580.23 is 11:59 p.m. on October 7, 2022, unless that date falls on a weekend or legal holiday, in which case it is the next weekday, and unless the redemption period is reduced to 5 weeks under MN Stat. Secs. 580.07 or 582.032.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None  
THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

Dated: February 1, 2022

Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC  
Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee

LIEBO, WEINGARDEN, DOBIE & BARBEE, P.L.L.P.

Attorneys for Mortgagee/Assignee of Mortgagee  
4500 Park Glen Road #300  
Minneapolis, MN 55416  
(952) 925-6888  
85 - 22-001342 FC

IN THE EVENT REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW: THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

(02-10, 02-17, 02-24, 03-03, 03-10, 03-17)

## Rock County open meeting March 22

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

An open meeting will be held to discuss the road and bridge replacement program for the transportation system of Rock County. The meeting will be at the Rock County Library Basement Meeting Room, 201 West Main Street, in Luverne, MN Tuesday, March 22, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

This public informational meeting will be held at the Rock County Library. Any individual, group or agency wishing information is urged to attend and participate in this meeting. The meeting is to provide information on the planning, programming and schedule of work on the County Highway system.

Mark R. Sehr,  
Rock County Highway Engineer  
(03-03, 03-10)

## Mortgage foreclosure sale set for April 28

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**  
**THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

DATE OF MORTGAGE: February 9, 2012  
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$0.00  
MORTGAGOR(S): Justin Birger, Her Husband and Laressa Birger, His Wife  
MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Dacotah Bank, its successors and assigns

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING:  
Recorded: February 21, 2012 Rock County Recorder  
Document Number: 178607

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE:  
And assigned to: Colonial Savings, F.A.  
Dated: January 19, 2017  
Recorded: February 13, 2017 Rock County Recorder  
Document Number: 190119

Transaction Agent: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.  
Transaction Agent Mortgage Identification Number: 10079350000021541  
Lender/Broker/Mortgage Originator: Dacotah Bank  
Residential Mortgage Servicer: Colonial Savings, FA

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Rock  
Property Address: 302 E 7th St, Hills, MN 56138  
Tax Parcel ID Number: 15-0316-000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot Three (3) and Four (4) in Block Two (2) of Parkview Second Addition to the City of Hills, Rock County, Minnesota

AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE: \$196,677.55

THAT all pre-foreclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; that this is registered property;

PURSUANT to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above-described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: April 28, 2022 at 1:00 A.M.  
PLACE OF SALE: County Sheriff's office, in the lobby of the Rock County Law Enforcement Center, 1000 N. Blue Mound Avenue, Luverne, Minnesota

to pay the debt secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any, on said premises and the costs and disbursements, including attorney fees allowed by law, subject to redemption within six (6) months from the date of said sale by the mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns.

If the Mortgage is not reinstated under Minn. Stat. §580.30 or the property is not redeemed under Minn. Stat. §580.23, the Mortgagor must vacate the property on or before 11:59 p.m. on October 28, 2022, or the next business day if October 28, 2022, falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

Mortgagor(s) released from financial obligation: NONE  
THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.  
THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

DATED: February 22, 2022  
MORTGAGEE: Colonial Savings, F.A.

Wilford, Geske & Cook, P.A.  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
7616 Currell Boulevard, Suite 200  
Woodbury, MN 55125  
(651) 209-3300  
File Number: 050335-F1

(03-03, 03-10, 03-17, 03-24, 03-31, 04-07)

### NOTICE OF FILING FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given as provided in Minnesota Statutes 204B.33, that a special election will be held on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, for the purpose of electing candidates for the offices listed below. The filing period for these offices begins on Tuesday March 1, 2022 and ends at 5:00 PM, Tuesday, March 15, 2022. Candidates may file in person or by mail if the filing is received during the filing period. Candidates who will be absent from the state during the filing period and meet the requirements of Minnesota Statutes Section 204B.09, subdivision 1a may arrange to file during the seven days immediately preceding the candidates' absence from the state.

#### FEDERAL OFFICES

The place of filing for federal offices is the Office of the Secretary of State, State Office Building, Suite 180, 100 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, St Paul, MN 55155-1299.

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Rock County, Minnesota

(03-03)

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(3.3-3.5)

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